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## Sunday School On Wheels Tours Canada

Regina, Sask.—(RNS)—A Sunday school on wheels—that's the Sunday school caravan of the Church of England in Canada which, this summer, started its 25th year of activity in the western provinces and northern Ontario. The caravan consists of 24 separate vans and was organized in 1920 by Miss Eva Hasell, who is still in charge.

Plans of Miss Hasell call for the addition of two more vans before fall, with 16 more volunteer workers. She is at present making a tour of western points, giving lectures and appealing for funds.

A former driver for the British Red Cross in World War I, Miss Hasell founded the Sunday school van system in Saskatchewan to provide religious instruction for young people in rural districts. She also laid the foundations for the Sunday school-by-mail.

The women who have served in the caravan for the past 25 years have received no pay, but are supplied with food and traveling expenses. The caravan is operated from early spring until freeze-up.

Reports for 1944 show that 4,724 new members were enrolled, and 11,314 old members were visited. Altogether, 9,553 homes were visited on the prairies.

### —BR— BAPTISTS SHOULD ADVERTISE

The Broadcasting Yearbook reports that, during 1944, \$285,100,000 was spent for time for commercial broadcasts.

If broadcasting is that good for commercial organizations, it will be good for Baptist churches. If it will sell toothpaste, cosmetics, intoxicants, automobiles and household appliances, it will interest the public in religion.

The Southern Baptist Convention should operate its own broadcasting station, and that station should be in charge of experts in the broadcasting business.

The convention should establish a  
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## 33 ATTAIN BLUE MOUNTAIN HONOR ROLL

Dean Ernest H. Cox of Blue Mountain College has released the honor roll for the second semester. Frances Gene Hannaford, Jackson, attained first place, and Floris Gore, Marks, second place. Other students on the honor roll are as follows: Lucile Bassett, Louin; Gene Boyett, Sallis; Barbara Ely, Itta Bena; Dorothy Lee Jefferson, Inverness; Frances Kinard, Meridian; Martha Murphy, Memphis, Tenn.; Louise Freeman, Tucuman, Argentina; Joyce Tyler, Picayune; Jewell Brezeale, Ethel, and Martha Brown, Louisville, Ky.

Ethlyn Eudy, Cleveland; Jean Mc-

## THE WONDERFUL CHRIST Rev. H. J. Rushing West Laurel Baptist Church

Text: Isa. 9:6, "And his name shall be called Wonderful."  
Introduction:

The world's history is hung upon men who in both life and death proved themselves wonderful, and yet that person who knows Christ has a conviction that the Saviour with the name Wonderful is alone worthy of that honor.

Moses, who talked face to face with God and brought His law to the attention of men, was a wonderful one. But Jesus said of Moses "he wrote of me."

Abraham was a wonderful one, his faith being an inspiration to Christians of all ages. Yet we find that his faith had an object, and "before Abraham was I am" said the object of true faith.

David, that sweet singer of Israel, was a man after God's own heart and in spite of his black sin the readers of the Psalms have again and again proclaimed him wonderful. But the student discovers in the study of the Psalms that the Messiah was the heart and theme of them.

Baptist John, the forerunner of

## PASTOR "SPEAKS MIND" IN PERSONAL LETTER

Fitchburg, Mass., May 29—Rev. Edwin E. Jacques, pastor of the Highland Baptist Church of this city, today addressed a letter to Asst. Chief of Chaplains Ernest L. Loomis, of Headquarters First Service Command, Boston, protesting against the pro-Catholic slant of the sound-film "For God and Country" being circulated for the use of church groups by army authorities. Mr. Jacques wrote in part:

"At our young people's meeting last Sunday evening we used the sound-film 'For God and Country,' anticipating  
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## My Favorite Sermon



H. J. RUSHING

our Lord, was a wonderful prophet even according to the testimony of our Lord. But this voice testified to the greatness of Jesus, saying that he was not even worthy to unfasten His shoes.

Paul, the preacher, writer, and de-  
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## Chaplain Says Train Converts

By James E. Southerland  
Jackson Army Air Base  
Jackson, Mississippi

"I never argue religion" is often heard when one is approached about his soul's salvation. This statement is played upon for the very fact that that one knows very little about religion to argue, and besides, if an argument were entered into, conviction may follow. The very thought of conviction is the "thorn" that is often not wanted.

"Arguing" and "discussing" are sometimes used interchangeably, but this should not be so. Blind, ignorant argumentation with no foundation is utter foolishness; but a discussion with willingness to learn becomes knowledge and principle. It is this latter thought that the people called Baptists should seriously consider. Baptists have a message for the world and we believe it as no other group or there would be no justification for the Baptist denomination. We grant to others the freedom of their own personal convictions, but because of that we are not justified in "watering down" our convictions. We believe, therefore, let us teach it!

How shall this teaching be done? The most effective way must be by  
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## \$10,000 To Be Spent By Home Board For Work Among Choctaw Indians.

By Edwina Robinson  
Executive Secretary  
Mississippi W. M. U.

Ten thousand dollars is to be spent by the Home Mission Board in Mississippi for work among the Choctaw Indians. This money was given by the Woman's Missionary Union during the Season of Prayer for Home Missions last March and comes in the "beyond-the-goal" list. The allocations are as follows:

Indian church, Philadelphia, Miss. ----- \$5,000  
Indian pastor's home, Philadelphia, Miss. ----- 4,000  
Indian pastor's home, Union, Miss. (renovation) ----- 1,000  
A Joint Work

For a number of years the work among the Indians of Mississippi has been a joint responsibility of the Home Mission Board and the Mississippi State Mission Board. The residence at Union, in which the missionary lived was owned by the Home Mission Board and a small salary was paid jointly by the Home Mission Board and State Mission Board. However, in the last few years, the work

has been neglected and suffered for the need of a missionary.

### Part of Annie W. Armstrong Offering

Dr. J. B. Rounds, superintendent of Indian work of the Home Mission Board came to Mississippi last year to survey the field and its need. He and others, in the state, felt that the center for the work should be in Philadelphia. It is the plan and hope of the board to place a well-trained missionary on this field. Looking toward this the Home Mission Board in conference with the Southern Woman's Missionary Union has decided to use \$10,000 of the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions in this manner.

### —BR— Chaplain Myers Describes Sunday Aboard Ship

Lewis A. Myers  
Transport Chaplain, Fleet P. O.  
San Francisco, California

Going westward across the International Date Line, we had lost one day and thus had experienced a six-day week between Sundays. Many experiences teach us that Sundays are  
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## -Sparks & Splinters-

Miss Annie Hendricks of Inverness, Mississippi, is to become registrar of Blue Mountain College on August 8, to succeed Miss Jennie Lee Hunt, resigned. Miss Hendricks received her bachelor of arts degree from Blue Mountain in 1942, and since that time she has been working with one of the government agencies in Washington.

**Mantee:** Both the pastor and Sunday school superintendent at Mantee are planning to study for the ministry next session. The pastor, Rev. C. L. Boland, is leaving immediately for Southwestern Seminary. The superintendent, Hyran E. Barefoot, recently licensed to the ministry, plans to enter Mississippi College in September.

A new Training Union has been organized at Bluff Springs church, Pike county.—C. O. Stegall, pastor.

Baptists of Romania now have the status of a cult. But the new decree-law giving them this standing is administered by a member of the Orthodox church. It will be remembered that the Baptist churches of Romania have been closed twice within a decade. It is to be hoped that this will not happen again. Southern Baptists of the United States have found it possible to get a small amount of aid to their Romanian brethren.

**New Hope church, Smith county:** There were nine additions to the church during our revival in which Rev. W. H. Woods of Oakvale did the preaching. The music was directed by L. S. Stringer with Miss Mary Grace Stringer serving as pianist. Our pastor is Rev. G. C. Carlisle.—Mrs. A. B. Stringer, reporter.

In "Revival Appeals" by Evangelist John R. Rice are evangelistic messages both sharp and tender, both scriptural and fervent, tremendously used of God in large scale revival campaigns. These messages are fervent gospel appeals used in large evangelistic campaigns in some principal cities in America. God has used these messages to the salvation of thousands of souls. Sermon subjects are: When God's Patience Wears Out; "Be Sure Your Sin Will Find You Out"; What Jesus Said About Hell; Will a Loving God Send a Sinner to Hell?; Hell—Keep Out!; Religious but Lost; A Good Man Lost and a Bad Man Saved; The Criminal Who Wanted Another Chance; How a Lost Sheep Got Home; "Come Unto Me"; Facing the Pierced Jesus; "It Is Finished"; No Room for Jesus; Neglect, the Shortest Way to Hell; "What Must I Do to Be Saved?"; Missing God's Last Train for Heaven. The price is \$1.50 and orders should be sent to Sword of the Lord Publishers, Wheaton, Illinois.

**News from the Baptists of Bulgaria** indicates that there was freedom to preach and carry on Baptist work during the war. With a few exceptions the pastors have been able to remain with their churches.

**Rev. Carey Cox, former pastor at Terry and now pastor at Prattville, Alabama,** will preach at Calvary church, Jackson, Sunday, August 19. Dr. Duke McCall, president of Baptist Bible Institute, will preach the following Sunday. Dr. Claud B. Bowen, pastor, is away on vacation.

The Baptists of Italy have joined with other evangelicals in setting up a relief committee. Rev. M. Ronchi, a Baptist pastor in Rome, is treasurer of the committee. Protestant chaplains in the American Army have launched a plan for the erection of an evangelical hospital in the vicinity of Naples. Dr. W. Dewey Moore, who recently visited Italy, reports that the relief sent by American Protestants to the evangelicals and others in Italy, is not only relieving distress, but producing an impression favorable to evangelical efforts.

The Baptists of the French Cameroons are erecting a new church in Douala to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of the beginning of Protestant work in that part of Africa. The work was started by Alfred Saker, an English Baptist missionary. The present leader there is Maurice Farelly, a Baptist missionary from France.

**Early in July President Rushbrooke** flew from England to Sweden and other places on the continent. He bore greetings to brethren who had been cut off from free communication with the outside world. He also made inquiry as to the need of relief in certain areas.

The Department of Public Relations at William Jewell College, Liberty, Missouri, has recently published a brochure making available three notable addresses that have been given at the college this year. A free copy will be sent upon request as long as the supply lasts.

Chaplains stationed in the Mediterranean theater of operations are currently having the opportunity of visiting the Holy Land. This opportunity is made available through the theater chaplain. The chaplains travel by air and the trip takes seven days with two days consumed in travel, leaving five days for the Holy Land visit. While in Palestine, Red Cross and special service tours provide the chaplains with an opportunity to visit places of special religious interest and historical importance. The plan of Holy Land visitation is designed to offer the opportunity to make this pilgrimage to every chaplain in the theater who has not already visited there.

**Durant: Rev. Herbert P. Miller of Wake Forest, North Carolina,** filled our pulpit on August 5 during the absence of our pastor, Rev. C. M. Day.—Rachel McLellan.

**Opening exercises for the 87th annual session of Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville,** will be held Tuesday, Sept. 11, at 10 a. m. The opening address, by Professor Charles A. McGlon, will be delivered at 8 p. m., in Norton Hall. Five new offices for faculty members, now being completed on the second floor of the office wing of Norton Hall, will be ready for use by the opening of the session. Erection of a new wing of classrooms awaits the granting of priorities by the War Production Board.

The German language theological seminary in Lodz, Poland, closed its doors in 1940 and merged with the seminary in Hamburg, Germany. The buildings of that seminary were destroyed by bombs in 1943. The school with 26 students is now located in Wiedenest in the Rhine province near Cologne. Dr. H. Luckey, who is a vice-president of the Baptist World Alliance, and Rev. W. Gutsche, who was formerly secretary of the Slavic Baptist Union of Poland, are teaching in the school.

**New Hope church, Sunflower county** enrolled 95 in its VBS and had an average attendance of 92. The directors were Rev. and Mrs. S. B. Harrington. An offering amounting to \$13.08 was made for the Baptist Hospital. The following served on the faculty: Mrs. T. A. Parks, Mrs. J. L. Harris, Mrs. Charles Wells, J. L. Harris, Mrs. Marvin Bibb, Miss Frances Bibb, Mrs. George Lucius, Mrs. Murray Lynn, John Bridges, Miss Janette Lynn, Miss Laura Nell Bibb, Mrs. Jimmie Dixon, Mrs. R. D. McIntyre and Miss Carolyn Bridges.—Mrs. S. B. Harrington, reporter.

"Permanent Peace for Europe" by Harry L. Braham of Miami Beach, Fla., presents a plan for world peace. We doubt that the plan will work, but the idea is good. Whether or not you agree with the author, it will make you think. Concerning the book, Raymond Gram Swing said, "A blueprint helps sharpen thinking. Your book will perform this service." The price is \$2.25 and the publisher is the Christopher Publishing House, Boston. Order from the publisher or from the Baptist Book Store.

Rev. S. B. Harrington, pastor, New Hope church, Sunflower county, has resigned in order to accept the full time pastorate at Tchula. The Tchula parsonage was redecorated and the pantry filled. He began his work at Tchula on August 1.

Numerous visiting Baptist preachers were noted at the First church, Biloxi, August 5, when the pastor, Rev. G. C. Hodge, preached on "Cheers For the Christian" and "The Cup of Cold Water." Among those present were Dr. and Mrs. L. G. Gates, Laurel; Chaplain and Mrs. L. E. Nicholson, Keesler Field; Chaplain and Mrs. A. Wright, Keesler Field; Dr. Norman W. Cox, Meridian; Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Bridges, Miami, Fla.; Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Moore, Biloxi. There were five additions to the church during the day, one a Chinese, one profession of faith, from Keesler Field.—Mrs. G. C. Hodge.

Dr. Henry C. Goerner, associate professor of Comparative Religion and Missions at the Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, and Rev. J. I. Bishop, of Birmingham, Ala., Southwide Royal Ambassador secretary, will fly to Havana August 21 for a ten-day tour of Baptist mission fields in Cuba. They will spend the most of their time in the four provinces of Western Cuba, where the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has a staff of 114 workers, all of whom are natives except nine. They also plan to visit mission stations of the Northern Baptist Convention, in Eastern Cuba, as well as stations of various other denominations besides Baptists.

Along with our VBS we had a Training Union study course at Murphy Creek church, Winston county. Miss Louise Hill of the State Training Union department taught the young people; Pastor F. H. Miller the Adults; Mrs. Evelyn Rogers the Intermediates, Mrs. Fred Reed the Juniors, and Mrs. J. C. Chapell the children in the Story Hour.—Polly Strait, reporter.

Ozona church conducted a Vacation Bible school just two weeks after its organization as a church. There were 61 enrolled and eight conversions during the week. The Ozona church had been a mission of the Roseland Park church in Picayune and the church was organized under the direction of Pastor Morrell Lee of Roseland Park church.—Ethel Barnette.

"Dickie and Donnie on the Farm" by Aliene Albrecht and published by Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, is a worthwhile book for children. The story is interesting and inspiring. The price is fifty cents. Order from the publisher.

It is now known that at least four Baptist churches were destroyed in Norway during the occupation. Among the buildings lost was a chapel that serves as a Christian center for deep sea fishers, which was located at Honningsvag on the south side of the island of which the North Cape is a part. The Baptists of Norway have recently purchased a piece of property 55 miles south of Oslo on the Oslo Fjord which will be used as a camp for undernourished children and adults whose health was undermined by the war.

**Sunrise church, at Midway, Leake county,** had six additions as the result of the annual summer revival. There were three professions of faith by baptism and three by letter. Rev. Joe L. Moore is the pastor and Dr. William Potter of Carthage did the preaching.—Reporter.

**Murphy Creek church, Winston county,** held its finest Vacation Bible school the third week in July. The following served on the faculty: Principal, Dr. John P. Carter; Intermediate workers, Mrs. Carter and Louise Hill; Junior workers, Mrs. Fred Reed and Mrs. Evelyn Rogers; Primary workers, Polly Strait and Royne Rill; Beginner workers, Mrs. J. C. Chapell and Mrs. F. H. Miller. Our pastor is Rev. F. H. Miller.—Polly Strait, reporter.

Pastor P. B. Green of Wanilla church, Lawrence county, was assisted by Dr. W. A. Green who did the preaching in their recent revival. There were 25 additions to the church. The pastor also reports that a new building is going up rapidly.

Miss Ernestine White was principal of the VBS for Bethel church, Winston county. Forty-one were enrolled and an average of 35 in attendance throughout the week. At the close of the school a love offering was presented to Miss White.—Secretary.

Another mighty miracle of grace was wrought by the Holy Spirit in the three weeks' June and July revival in Lansing, Michigan, sponsored by a number of churches in cooperation with the Christian business men. Evangelist Hyman J. Appelman was the preacher. Record-making crowds flocked to the city auditorium nightly and into the First Presbyterian Church each noon-day. More than 400 people of all ages made first time professions of faith in the inquiry rooms. Over 100 transferred their membership to local churches. Hundreds dedicated their lives tearfully, surrendered. Two Jewish souls came to Christ. A Youth For Christ program was initiated.

Harold Stone is available for gospel singing in revival meetings the rest of the summer. His address is 19th avenue, Gulfport, Miss.

Rev. Harold Douglas of Starkville was the evangelist in the revival at Pleasant Ridge church, Oktibbeha county. The pastor is F. B. Green.—T. E. Sikes, clerk.

**New Hope church, Leake county:** Dr. William Potter of Carthage, interim pastor, has voted to enter the Minister's Retirement Plan. This latest church to accept the plan makes all three churches he is serving 100%. At present he is serving as interim pastor at both New Hope and County Line (Attala county) in addition to his full time program at Carthage.

**Good Hope church, Panola county,** conducted a seven-day VBS. Four of the church members transported the children. Out of an enrollment of 60 the average attendance was 59. Eight of the children made a profession of faith. A mission offering of \$12.50 was taken. The school had four departments and attained a rating of a Grade-A school. Miss Cana McKee was principal and the following teachers assisted her: Mrs. W. D. Bethany, Mrs. Hulon Baker, Mrs. Seab Woodruff, Mrs. Albert Austin, Mrs. Lawrence Bright, Miss Edith Baker, Mrs. Robert McMinn, Mrs. D. H. Smith, Mrs. Lillie Wilson, Mrs. T. A. Woodruff, Mrs. H. N. Finnie and Mrs. Knox Bright served on the refreshment committee. We do not have a pastor on our field.—Reporter, Mrs. Seab Woodruff.

**Pastor H. L. Davis of Zion Hill church, Lebanon Association,** was assisted in the revival by Rev. Grady Snowden of DeLand, Florida. The evangelist was converted and licensed to preach in the Zion Hill church and it was like a visit home. The music was conducted by Howard Blakeney. Miss Wilene Blakeney rendered special music at each service. There were 19 who came for baptism and six by letter. We attribute much of the interest in our church to the fact that our church has the EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record.—Mrs. Earl McGilvray, pastor.

**Ellistown:** There were 22 additions during our revival in which Pastor Clark Rakestraw did the preaching, and John White directed the singing. Nineteen of these were for baptism.

**Bruce: Rev. J. H. Sherman,** associational missionary, Calhoun-Pontotoc counties, is the busiest man we know. He began his work last May and has not had an hour spare time since. He is preaching in revivals, holding DVB schools, organizing churches, and supplying vacant pulpits. He supplied the pulpit at Bruce the first and second Sundays.



# Mississippi Baptists--Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1. Cor. 13:8b

"When Jesus saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them," Matthew 9:35-36.

## I

### WHAT WE SPEND MONEY FOR

**The Growing Liquor Bill:** Since 1934, the legalized liquor bill of America has grown from \$2,003,000,000 to more than \$7,000,000,000, as follows:

In 1934, Americans spent	\$2,003,000,000
In 1935, Americans spent	2,553,000,000
In 1936, Americans spent	3,164,000,000
In 1937, Americans spent	3,442,000,000
In 1938, Americans spent	3,237,000,000
In 1939, Americans spent	3,425,000,000
In 1940, Americans spent	3,529,000,000
In 1941, Americans spent	4,192,000,000
In 1942, Americans spent	5,187,000,000
In 1943, Americans spent	6,083,000,000
In 1944, Americans spent	7,000,000,000 plus

This is \$51.47 per capita for every man, woman and child, one day old and up, in the United States. If the sales of illegal liquor be added to this the bill will perhaps reach \$8,500,000,000 or \$62.49 per capita.

**The Movies Get \$2,040,000,000:** The movies are now getting \$2,040,000,000 or \$15 for every man, woman, and child in the nation.

**The Gamblers Are Still First:** Their "take" from the United States in 1944 was approximately \$8,000,000,000, \$62.50 per capita. The race-track gamblers got \$9.00 per capita for every man, woman, and child in the nation.

**Cigarettes Cost \$2,970,000,000 in 1944:** The Bureau of Internal Revenue reported that the sale of cigarettes to the people of the United States reached the unbelievable number of 270,000,000,000 or 13,500,000,000 packs in 1944, which at 22 cents a pack make up the neat sum of \$2,970,000,000, or \$21.80 for every man, woman and child in the nation.

**The Beauty-Parlor Bill Has Gone Up to More than \$1,120,000,000:** In 1944, the beauty-parlor bill for the 55,000,000 women and girls of this nation, 15 years old and up, rose to \$16 for every woman and girl in the nation.

**Public Education** now claims \$5,280,000,000.

**The Churches** are expending \$1,915,000,000.

**Crime** has gone up from \$15,000,000,000 to \$16,000,000,000.

**Christmas a Big Business:** Americans spent for Christmas, 1937, \$5,000,000,000, or \$38.46 per capita; whereas they spent approximately \$4.46 per capita for all religious purposes, for the entire year of 1937.

**The Average New York Working Girl** spends her money as follows: Food, 31.4 per cent of her salary; rent, 20.6 per cent; clothing, 17.7 per cent; fun, 9.1 per cent; carfare, smokes and candy, 7.4 per cent; insurance and savings, 6.1 per cent; medical care, 4.8 per cent; personal care, 2.9 per cent.

**The Main Sports Call For and Receive \$4,000,000,000 a Year:** According to Frank G. Menke in his *Encyclopedia of Sports*, as follows:

Angling	\$1,200,000,000	Bowling	450,000,000
Firearms	650,000,000	Skiing	150,000,000
Motor boats	600,000,000	Attendance groups	260,000,000
Golf	500,000,000	Miscellaneous	190,000,000

## II

### FINANCIAL ACHIEVEMENTS IN 1944

Here are some of the great financial gains made by Southern Baptists in 1944:

Increase in church property	\$11,572,219
Paid on church indebtedness	7,500,000
Increased value of orphanage property	1,100,000
Raised for schools and colleges	2,500,000
Increased gifts to missions	3,847,879
State Convention indebtedness liquidated	4,200,000

—1945 S. B. C. Handbook.

## III

### CLERGYMAN REFUSES TO MARRY COUPLES UNLESS THEY SIGN NEW AGREEMENT

It was reported some time ago in *Religious News Service* that Rev. Cecil Osborne of the First Baptist Church of Burlingame, California, refuses to perform a marriage ceremony unless the applicants sign an agreement to seek the counsel of a clergyman before going to the divorce courts. The agreement, an artistic printed form bearing the names of the contracting persons, is presented to the newlyweds by Mr. Osborne with a request that it be framed and placed in a prominent place in their new home. It reads as follows:

**We are in love. We love each other so much that we want to spend the rest of our lives together.**

**We are so much in love that we want to establish a home, where we may throw our protecting love about our children, and rear them in an atmosphere of love and tenderness.**

**We are so greatly in love that we want nothing to mar the beauty and lasting romance of our union. We believe our marriage will be a lasting one. But thousands of young couples equally in love have taken their sorrows and differences to divorce courts, where romance and bliss have ended in bitterness and recrimination.**

**We believe that to make our marriage a glorious success we shall need the guidance of God. Therefore, we solemnly pledge ourselves:**

1. To pray regularly for divine guidance in planning our home, our lives and our future;
2. To attend as often as humanly possible the church of our choice;
3. To seek the will of God in our lives;
4. To go together to the minister who married us, or to some other minister,

with our differences before going to a lawyer or court.—Biblical Recorder.

## IV

### THE SIN CHRISTIANS ARE NOT AFRAID TO COMMIT

Recently a preacher stopped in at our house and before 30 minutes had passed he had severely criticized several other preachers, scandalized the reputation of an evangelist of no little importance, ridiculed several Bible-believing, evangelistic churches, and by dropping statements of a doubtful nature had left a minister's wife in disrepute.

It seems that in countless Christian homes a necessary part of the Sunday sinner is to put the pastor and his morning message in the frying pan. The usual result is that the spattering grease leaves permanent injuries upon the lives of the children. Sometimes it seems difficult to find a Christian with whom one can engage in conversation for a few minutes without staining some fellow Christian's name.

These same Christians would stand in stark horror and point a finger of scorn and condemnation toward a woman taken in adultery, a man guilty of murder or a Christian discovered to be a thief. They seem not to realize that in God's sight, sin is sin and there is no difference. In Galatians 5:19-21, hatred, wrath, strife and envy are placed side by side with adultery, witchcraft and drunkenness. The Apostle Paul says, "Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: and be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you."

Yet not infrequently, the Christian's letter to his friends becomes a scandal sheet which dishonors God, and his parlor becomes a den in which the fumes of criticism, malice and hatred have free course.

The sin of gossip and criticism is not always committed in as bold and brazen a manner as already suggested. Often it is accomplished by the raising of an eyebrow when a name is mentioned, or an innocent statement such as: "Well, if you knew what I know about him . . ." or "Please pray for Tom; I don't like to tell you, but probably you'd pray more intelligently about it if you knew. . . ."

The wise man of Proverbs enumerates six things which the Lord doth hate, and adds, "Yea, seven are an abomination unto Him; a proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, an heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, a false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren."

There's no use dodging the issue as to what God thinks about these sins. He hates them. Someone has said that you can read a man's character by what he says. Jesus said, "Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man; but that which cometh out of the mouth, this defileth a man." (Matthew 15:11.)

James asks whether a fountain can bring forth both sweet and bitter water, or whether it can yield both salt water and fresh. And then he says, "Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? Let him shew out of a good conversation his works."

While, one the one hand with the tongue, evil is advanced, falsehood is expressed, and destructive gossip is propagated, on the other hand with the tongue, truth can be told, love can be affirmed, the praises of God can be sung, and the message of the Gospel proclaimed.

God's plan for man in this matter is clearly revealed. James teaches, "If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man."

The Psalmist says (15:3, 5), "He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbor, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour . . . he that doeth these things shall never be moved."

Again in Psalm 50:23 we read, "Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me: and to him that ordereth his conversation aright will I show the salvation of God."

Paul says to the Colossians, "Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man."

To Titus (2:8), the young pastor, he wrote, "Sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you." We would do well to remember that our bodies are the temples of the Holy Spirit and that to use our tongues in the wrong way grieves Him and dishonors our Father in heaven. Someone has said that "the Holy Spirit is the silent listener to every conversation."

Paul seems to find a solution to this problem for the Ephesian church when he instructed them to be "filled with the Spirit; speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God."

**Tocawa:** Two were received upon profession of faith during our revival in July. The visiting workers were: Rev. F. W. Gillespie, Dyer, Tennessee, who did the preaching; Rev. Charles Tyler, Ludlow, singer, and Mrs. Albert Elliot, Crowder, pianist. During the same week we held a Vacation school with an enrollment of 47. An offering was taken for the Baptist Orphanage. Local workers were Mrs. Robert Onkst, Miss Irma Benson, Mrs. W. L. Benson and the pastor. —Lloyd Shelton, pastor.

**Offerings to Home Missions in July** were up 50%, according to Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary. A total of \$94,191.46 was received, compared with \$62,488.30 in the same month last year. July receipts included \$7,585.69 of the Annie Armstrong offering made by the Woman's Missionary Union, the total from this source for seven months this year amounting to \$449,588.55. In 1945 the board has received \$1,066,537.41, Dr. Lawrence said. This is a 25% increase over the \$849,109.92 in the same period last year.



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### PATIENCE, PLEASE

If we are a little slow in printing your article or if we condense it (but use all the facts) please be patient with us. Remember that paper is rationed and we are operating under a quota.

Last week we left out \$31 worth of advertising in order to make space for reading matter.

### TAKE GOD WITH YOU ON VACATION

Another barometer besides the summer heat which lets us know that the vacation season is here is the size of congregations in our churches. We have come to take the summer slump for granted.

Many people are taking vacations by staying at home. They leave off attendance at all worship services even as they stay away from work. Others are making visits to family and friends from whom they have been separated in spite of ODT requests not to travel. Vacation from work is usually limited to perhaps ten days or two weeks, but the cessation from our churches begins in June.

Vacations need not be absolutely "doing nothing," but a change of occupation. For most people one or two days of "doing nothing" is sufficient and then a restlessness sets in. On the whole we are not a lazy people. We want to be doing things.

There are many things that we can accomplish during a vacation season, which will prove valuable to us during the rest of the year. It is helpful for Christians to visit in other churches. Many times we return to our own churches and its organizations realizing that we have much for which to be thankful. On the other hand, we are challenged as we see that other churches have not given away to the slump without some effort to combat it. They have put forth

extra effort to have interesting lessons in Sunday school, good programs in W. M. S. and B. T. U., and worthwhile worship services.

Vacations take us away from routine jobs and help us to get a different perspective. As a rule we are glad to return to our work. But we know that the forces of evil do not take vacations and it behooves Christians to be faithful in their daily habits of devotion and attendance upon divine worship in season and out of season.

Take the Lord with you on your vacation and you will find that you will be refreshed in spirit as well as body.

### MISSISSIPPI IS NINTH

Mississippi stands ninth in total offerings for Southwide objects during July as reported by the Executive Committee, Austin Crouch, Executive Secretary.

The Executive Committee reports the following receipts:

1) Texas	\$84,097
2) North Carolina	43,594
3) Virginia	43,565
4) Tennessee	41,023
5) Kentucky	38,943
6) Georgia	29,098
7) South Carolina	26,646
8) Oklahoma	21,864
9) Mississippi	21,653
10) Missouri	17,967
11) Alabama	17,111
12) Florida	16,456
13) Louisiana	15,816
14) Arkansas	8,726
15) Illinois	7,217
16) New Mexico	5,574
17) Maryland	3,301
18) Arizona	553
19) California	88

The receipts of \$443,817.97 were dispersed as follows:

HTC FUND (R&A BOARD)	\$ 12.00
S. B. C. Budget Fund	11,192.21
Foreign Mission Board	212,445.37
Home Mission Board	95,223.86
Relief & Annuity Board	62,668.84
Southern Baptist Hospital	10.00
Southern Baptist Theol. Seminary	17,889.95
Southwestern Baptist Theol. Seminary	16,429.18
Baptist Bible Institute	16,492.90
W. M. U. (Training School & Designated)	3,775.99
American Baptist Theol. Seminary	7,665.67
Miscellaneous	12.00

Total \$443,817.97  
Southwide funds for the first seven months of 1945 total \$3,659,471. This is an increase of \$908,348 for the same months of 1944.

### OLD AGE—A SALUTE

The idea that a man or a woman

who is on the shadowy side of fifty has become old is not only a mistaken concept, but it is a tragedy.

Some years ago, an auditor of a great international organization made a survey of 10,000 employees for a period of twenty years, at the end of which he reported the following facts:

"A man well past 50 who knows his job is worth four times more than a young fellow on the job. He ought to be paid four times more; one-fourth for knowing his job, the other three-fourths for his acquaintance with life and his knowledge of human nature. I cannot spare the man over 50. He is too valuable to lose!"

After reading the above, we began to examine history and among many others we made the following observations:

Socrates was 80 years of age when he took up the study of music. Cato was 80 when he learned Greek. At 83 Tennyson composed the tenderest poem in our language, "Crossing the Bar." When 83, Gladstone for the fourth time became the prime minister of Great Britain. At 88 Antonius van Loewenhock discovered blood corpuscles, infusoria, spermatozoa, etc. At 88, Bancroft was writing deathless history. At 88 John Wesley with undiminished eloquence and power was preaching daily. At 89 Michelangelo painted the world-famous, "The Last Judgment." And lest we forget, Titian was 98 when he painted his famous "Battle of Lepanto," the most famous single picture in the world.

Indeed, old age has its compensations. One is the ripened experience and knowledge of the affairs of life that comes with advancing years. If it be true that "experience is the schoolmaster," then old age ought to bring to us all the valuable lessons that otherwise we could never learn.

How truly Robert Browning wrote:

"Grow old along with me!  
The best is yet to be,  
The last of life, for which the first  
was made;  
Our times are in His hand  
Who saith, 'A whole is planned,  
Youth shows but half, trust  
God, see all, nor be afraid.'"  
—Ada Baptist.

Almost every day some pulpit committee says, "We want a young man as pastor."

God bless our young men. There is a place of service for every one of them. But we should not discriminate against our older men. As indicated above, they are prepared to render excellent service.

So far as we know, the ministry is the only profession where

age and experience are a handicap.

If we needed a lawyer we would want one of experience. When sick we do not specify a young doctor.

### THE ATOMIC BOMB

To say that the atomic bomb is a scientific sensation is to state it mildly. The possibilities for good and evil of such power in possession of the human race should give us great concern. If it means that we will now wage bigger and bloodier wars to bring nations into subjection to us, we shall see in due time that this power will be our ruin. If it means that we will use it for the good of the human family it will be more revolutionary, presuming that it can be developed for commercial purposes, than was the invention of the gasoline engine. One does not dare to predict the radical changes which may be effected in travel and commerce, and in every department of life where power is needed.

The time has come when men must give more time and thought and energy to moral progress. Unless we develop character which will make us worthy trustees of such power to assure its right and profitable use, the destruction of Hiroshima will be but the beginning of incalculable tragedies which harnessed atomic power will bring to the human family. The human race cannot survive if it is willing to put \$2,000,000,000 into one experiment to produce the deadliest weapon of war, unless men become willing to build and support character-building institutions to develop the moral sensibilities of men and women.—Ellis A. Fuller, president, Southern Baptist Seminary.

### ROMAN CATHOLICISM MADE STATE RELIGION IN SPAIN

Madrid—(By Wireless to RNS)—The Spanish Cortes (Parliament) has approved a charter proclaiming Roman Catholicism as the state religion. The charter permits non-Catholics to exercise their religion privately, but prohibits all "external manifestations."

"The profession and practice of the Catholic religion, which is the religion of the Spanish state," the charter reads, "will be given official protection."

According to the charter, "no one will be molested for his religious beliefs and the private practice thereof," but "no other ceremonies or external manifestations will be allowed except those of the Catholic religion."

There were 14 additions in the revival at Union church, Rankin county, which closed on August 2. Pastor R. H. Fitzgerald of Russell was assisted by C. E. Hendrick of Enterprise.—Mrs. Clyde G. Miley, reporter.



# THE WONDERFUL CHRIST

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fender of the gospel, is acknowledged as one of the wonders of the grace of God. But to read his epistles is to know that he discounted everything as of value save Christ and the gospel.

In a later day, one thinks of Spurgeon, simple, powerful, profound proclaimer of the Word and Way of God, as a wonder of the Christian world. But a record of his sermons shows that he preached of Christ.

Or one might think of Moody, who took a continent in each hand and moved them both nearer God and whose influence lives yet in institutions established by him, as indeed a wonderful servant of the living God. But his teaching and preaching magnify the Christ and sets Him forth as the only hope of sinners who move on to judgment.

But the question arises, Wherein is Christ the Wonderful One? To answer we consider the following points in His life and work:

## A. His Birth:

1. Announced years before—"Behold a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel." Isa. 7:14.

2. Conceived by the Holy Spirit, God and not man for His Father—"The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God." Luke 1:35.

3. Announced by unusual means—not by cards as the birth of our children but by a visitation from the heavenly choir. One has but to read the record to see that His was a wonderful birth, the only one of its kind the world has ever known.

## B. His Life:

1. A well-rounded development—"And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man." Luke 2:52.

2. A life without sin—"Was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin." Heb. 4:15. The decision of Pilot, "I find no fault in Him" is the decision all make who come to know Him aright.

3. A life spent for others—Many have lived and do live in part for others, but here is a life entirely devoted to others. He visited the sick, raised the dead, blessed little children, forgave sin but it was always for others. There has never been a life like His life.

## C. His Death:

1. Substitutionary—"Christ died for our sins." I Cor. 15:3. "While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Rom. 5:8. "The Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." Isa. 53:6.

2. Satisfying—The death of Christ for us upon the Cross satisfied the demands of God and the needs of man. "That he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus." Rom. 3:26.

3. Saving—"We were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life." Rom. 5:10.

## D. His Resurrection:

1. Real—"Up from the grave He arose." "Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here but is risen." Luke 24:5, 6. That He did arise from the dead is the best attested fact in history.

2. Declaring—"Declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrec-

# PASTOR "SPEAKS MIND" IN

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ing a presentation of the ministry of the chaplains to our 68 servicemen. We were quite thoroughly 'let down.'

"I realize that such a film for general use must represent the Jewish Catholic and Protestant faiths, but how can one justify the Roman Catholic emphasis throughout? Neither the army represented, nor the audiences reached by such a film, are predominantly Roman Catholic. I would not expect that such a film should feature the Protestant faith, although the army and the nation are predominantly Protestant. But neither should it feature the Catholic faith, which is admittedly still a minority group here in the United States. At least, it might be impartial. Why (as ever) must the heroic death at the climax be so clearly designated as that of a priest, rather than that of a 'Chaplain, USA,' with a 'neutral' name??? Some of our people walked out before the close of the film, and there was quite general dissatisfaction with its Catholic emphasis.

"A cause of additional dissatisfaction was its inadequate representation of the Protestant—especially evangelical—activity in our army camps. Several of my friends are in the chaplaincy, and I have read of others who are doing great work along evangelical lines.

"Suffice it to say that the film left us cold. Such visual presentation of the work of our chaplains has great potentialities. But not the film in question, with its present emphasis on Catholicism, and its lack of discernment as to basic Protestantism."

tion from the dead." Rom. 1:4. Thus we see the ground of our justification efficient, solid and lasting.

3. Assuring—"Because I live, ye shall live also." John 14:19. "But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept." 1 Cor. 15:20.

## E. His Second Coming:

1. Personal—"I will come again." John 14:3. "This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." Acts 1:11.

2. Visible—"Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him." Rev. 1:7. Glorious day for His own but terrible for His rejecters.

3. Imminent—"But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only." Matt. 24:36. "Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come." Matt. 24:42. "Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." Matt. 24:44.

## F. His Saving Power:

1. Purpose of His coming—"The Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." Luke 19:10.

2. Example while here—The woman at the well. The woman taken in adultery. Many others.

3. Personal experience—And personal experience should be worth something. I was lost and through a simple faith in the wonderful Christ I came to possess a peace beyond my understanding, and experienced a change leading me to know myself a child of God. Never have I been disappointed with Christ and the joy of my heart is to witness for Him to others. If He has done so much for me He will do the same for you, because He is the Wonderful Christ.

# CHAPLAIN MYERS DESCRIBES

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too far apart for the most effective religious work.

The order of service in the morning worship program is always printed in the ship's daily bulletin and is given early distribution. At 9:30 a. m., the Church Call is sounded by bugle. Following the call, the chaplain extends a cordial welcome and announces the 10:00 a. m. hour. Since standing room usually is at a premium, men take their position early. They are standing or sitting at what they regard to be vantage points by the time the chaplain climbs the 10 foot ladder to the top of a super-structure overlooking all forward areas on the open deck of the ship. The time is 9:55 a. m., 1,500 men are present and exceptionally attentive; the Prelude with field organ, accordion and violin is already in progress; and the singers, recruited from the troop personnel, are in their places. Six loud speakers and two microphones are set before each service. Perhaps it should be suggested that the loud speakers help to pull the crowd together and form an aid to the greatest coordination with the pulpit. Even with this equipment, the wind and movement of the vessel make impossible the effective use of responsive readings and congregational singing.

## One Hundred Three Make

### Profession

One has very aptly said that what produces the highest success of a service is not the singing, however excellently it may be rendered; not the preaching, however powerfully it may be done, but the condition of the heart and the mind of the hearer. My experience is that men going out to the fronts are in the more favorable attitude for worship. There is, at least, support for this opinion, in the response of the men on the historic Sunday herein described. Of course, there are slight variations in all services but essentially what you read here is typical. The Scripture followed the Prelude, then silent prayer, invocation, the reading of a timely paper, musical selections, the sermon, invitation hymn, benediction and prayer response followed. During the invitation hymn, sung by the ship's chorus, an urge was made for decisions and 103 men were moved to publicly profess their faith. Having had but 67 decisions for the two previous Sundays, we were hardly prepared to accept such results casually. The sermon subject, "Life's Necessities," supported by various texts, was incidental. By this I do not mean that preaching is incidental, for such is never the case. Preaching, out here on the broad Pacific, forms the nucleus and is just as central in a worship service as is true back in the States. Many chaplains tell me that they try to build programs and produce orders of worship as much like the "back-at-home" way as possible. I must send a "thank you" to the churches, for there seems always to be a sufficient number of men, religiously trained, to render the necessary assistance out in these distant places where truly consecrated and trained help means so much.

## Afternoon Service Draws

### Large Crowd

Since a morning service is traditional with all creeds, its validity as proof of religious interest is not quite so good as an afternoon meeting, extra in nature. Aboard ship we regularly hold a devotional and sacred music hour Sunday afternoons from

Twenty-four pupils were enrolled at the Vacation school held in Harmony church, Clarke county, July 9-13. There were two departments, Junior and Primary. The workers in the Junior department were Mrs. L. B. Simmons, Mrs. Lynn Hearn and Mrs. Ernest Arrington. Primary workers were Mrs. Luke Sedwylder and Mrs. Guy Scott. Pastor L. B. Simmons was principal of the school. A love offering was given for the Baptist Orphanage.

Crowder: Rev. J. B. Middleton of Sardis was the visiting evangelist for our revival. The music was under the direction of Rev. Franklin Haire of Clarke College. There were nine additions. During the associational year there have been 82 additions to the church. We were able to worship in the basement of our new building during the revival and hope that the building may be completed in the near future.—Lloyd Shelton, pastor.

Baccalaureate services were held for the summer graduating class at Wiggins High school on July 22. The guest speaker was Dr. D. M. Nelson, president of Mississippi College. All of the class members were Baptist. The speaker at the evening hour was Chaplain Edgar of the Gulfport Naval Training Base. Special music was brought by a quartet from the navy choir. The graduation program of the summer class was considered as a part of the Youth Revival of Wiggins church which began on the third Sunday in July.

4 to 5 o'clock, at which the usual attendance count exceeds 1,000 men. Safety regulations prevent night meetings, except below deck where areas are inadequate to accommodate the crowd. Occasional Sunday evening round tables are held on perplexing religious questions—a meeting that interests those only who contemplate work in the religious field.

## Church Pennant Evokes

### Reverent Spirit

It is a custom of long standing upon the sea to run up the church pennant at the hour that services are publicly announced for the ship. This pennant is usually 2x5 feet, tapering to a point. While it is flying, no smoking, card playing, or boisterous talking is tolerated on open deck. It has been gratifying to discover that the signal officer (navy) and the transport commander (army) staunchly insist that our vessel rigidly adhere to this marine tradition. It has induced greater respect for things religious and added to the dignity and high order of the morning worship hour.

## Churches Urged to Continue

### Praying

Another matter of preacher-interest is the length of the sermon. It was difficult in the early part of my chaplaincy to concede two-thirds of the preaching hour to other than didactic preaching. I know now that a service need not suffer simply because the sermon limit is fifteen minutes. There is something to be said for this short time. It forces firing up and boiling down in greater measure. It demands more study, and it leads the preacher to lean a little harder upon the only ONE who can help him. There has never been, during my army ministry, the slightest restraint or encroachment upon what or how I should preach. Therefore, facing Sundays on the high seas, our chaplains traveling with troops are left encouragingly free. We are able to urge in good conscience that the churches continue unflinching prayer in our behalf and in behalf of your sons and daughters, your husbands and fathers in the remote reaches of all fighting areas.



## -- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Webb Brame, Yazoo City Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

### NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES ON THE MISSISSIPPI COAST State Mission Challenge

I had moved from a small upstate town to the Mississippi coast to live. In the crowded defense area, one of the most shocking realizations was that my Christian spirit was not measuring up to the demands surrounding me in this new life. I make this statement in the beginning, for to me one of the foremost needs of the whole area is a greater manifestation of the true Christian spirit on the part of the so-called. Life in a defense area offered you very little to choose from. We were having to accept what we could find and many of us were finding it difficult to accept our lot or to adjust ourselves to it.

My first reaction was to pull my self-righteous robes about me and shut myself in—to condemn and shun all evil. I, who had prided myself on being a real Christian, found the greatest quality, Christian patience and tolerance, absent. Now I thank God for my experience. Through it I believe I have learned how to love the sinful—the spiritually-starved souls more than ever before—I have a deeper concern for the “spiritual less-fortunate” than ever before—I have grown in grace—the grace of love and compassion. I emphasize this only because at the heart of all the great needs in this coastal area is the human heart cry for more and more compassion from those living there and profess to know Him whose heart is love.

#### Sabbath Observance

There are a number of things that are tearing down the spiritual lives in this part of our state. I by no means am attempting to lead you to think that this is the only place where such things are happening, but I do believe we see a more general participation in these things that tear down and destroy the soul. I am thinking of the awful spirit that completely ignores the holy law of God's own day. Those of us who lived there knew too well of the power of the Sunday movie and amusement places have in the lives of thousands; to say nothing of the lure of the fishing waters that take many more away from worship and Sabbath rest. It is very clear to those of us who have worked with children, whose parents are not concerned over Sabbath observance, to see that same spirit rapidly developing in the lives of their boys and girls. Some of our hardest work as Sunday school teachers was with these children who would not accept the responsibility of the Sabbath. The atmosphere of this area moves in deep upon the lives of people living there.

#### Profane Language

I am not attempting to find the cause for the use of so much filthy, profane language as my own ears often heard in this small strip of land we call the coast. I am only acknowledging that it is there! I am told this habit is not confined to the defense area, but awful oaths and curses are literally pouring from human mouths—mouths of the high and the lowly—the laborer and the highest executive. I worked five and one-half months in one of the offices and

this thought burned deeply in my mind: if dirty profane oaths can build strong ships—surely those ships which left our own Mississippi shores will be able to withstand any encounter. We need to pray to God for help to cleanse the mouths of our people.

#### Lack of Concern

There are so many classes of people living here to deal with. Some of the finest and most consecrated Christians have moved there with the hosts seeking war work. Some of the most cultured have come but thousands have come who are completely without any idea of the need for consecration, culture, ambition, pride, education and all those things that lead to a better and healthier life. They are completely satisfied with their condition. There are so few avenues of appeal to these but we know God has a way to reach His people everywhere. I think we must pray that God will speak definitely to our hearts that we may use His way.

Someone said, “It has been the war” that has brought about the spirit of unconcern for the other fellow, the lack of courtesy, good manners and politeness, so prevalent in most public places. I know the crowded conditions and the labor shortage was brought on by the war but I wonder if we can lay all the blame there. It was the church services each week that was a blessing to me for without them I'm afraid I would not have been able to accept and endure all the unkind things that came our way in public places. I found the Christian and the non-Christian guilty!

#### Catholic Influence

For a long time our State Mission program has recognized the work of the Catholic church on the coast. You are familiar with its presence and power and influence, so I shall only say they are continuing in their steady efforts with the people there. It is a mighty power for Protestants to cope with. To my mind the Catholic schools are being used to greatest advantage. Public schools have been so crowded—all working on shifts, that many people have turned to the Catholic class rooms in order that their children might have more time for their studies and most personal attention. Along with the Catholic church are many other churches, with as many religions, all leaving their imprint upon the different classes of people. Yes, a clamoring need there, is the preaching of the true gospel.

#### Need For Enlistment

According to the census figures of the summer of 1944, there are in Pascagoula 14,000 Baptist people or having Baptist preference. There are two Baptist churches with a membership totaling about 2,000. I need not point out the need for enlistment—these figures speak too well. All consecrated Baptists in that area realize the great burden that rests so largely on them. How we need to pray for them. The two churches are doing a wonderful work, but the task is so great! The church indeed is the lighthouse in the midst of so much spiritual dearth. There is nothing wrong with the church. The great need is for workers who will enlist these unenlisted.

#### Service Men

We cannot think of the Mississippi coast without considering our soldiers

and sailors stationed there. It has been hard to feel that we have not been able to reach these boys in any definite way as a whole, for they come and go so fast. There have been, however, many who have been able to stay in this area for great lengths of time. Some of these have brought their wives and children, adding to our responsibility for they too are disturbed and distressed over this new way of life for them. The local churches are doing a splendid job but they have not been able to reach all the people—the task is so big. It is one of our finest ways to do real mission work. To those of you who know the Mississippi coast as the grand place where we long to spend a few days in play and fun each summer—I hope these feeble words have helped you to see underneath its carefree spirit and catch the real vision of the great spiritual need of this beautiful part of our state. To those who live there and know it, even better than she who writes, I am hoping the Lord will provide you strength and courage to lift your eyes to the field about you and that you will do more this year than ever before in His Name to plant His Word in the hearts of those who need Him most.

#### Our Opportunity

Many, many times, while living there, and since leaving, a thought runs through my mind: Will God ever give Mississippi Baptists such another opportunity to do real mission work as He has these past three years in the coastal area? Here has been gathered such a host of people—lost people—sinful people, unchurched people—from all places—all in one place to be ministered unto. Have we failed Him? He looked upon the multitudes and “had compassion on them.” Oh, let us be like the Master as we look on these multitudes in our own state so desperately in need of Christ and His Way.

As I write this I have been informed that the shipyard at Pascagoula will be converted to a locomotive yard, building huge locomotive engines where they have built the ships. This will be the means of keeping a great number of these people in this area—maybe the people who need the gospel most. I have always felt that God would greatly use and bless any effort we might make there in a missionary way. Maybe during this emergency period we could use several full time missionary workers to establish work in needed areas and then bring in field workers during summer for Vacation Bible school work, organizing mission Sunday schools and missionary societies.

Can there be any better, finer way to express our gratitude to Him, as Mississippi Baptists than to launch out in our greatest kingdom effort of all time here on the coast? Can it be that He has so blessed us for such



REV. JAMES AUSTIN HUFFSTATLER

Early in the morning July 4, 1945, while the dew was still on the roses our Heavenly Father called our beloved pastor, Rev. J. A. Huffstatler, to his Heavenly Home. He had been in ill health about four years with an incurable heart trouble. He slipped away while Mrs. Ottie Huffstatler (his wife), and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Hugh Huffstatler, stood by his bedside at the Baptist Hospital, Memphis, Tennessee.

He was ordained in 1916 at Cherry Creek Baptist Church in Pontotoc county. He held pastorates in all North Mississippi, one at Kossuth in Alcorn county. He came from this pastorate to Independence in 1927. His first text and last text at Mt. Zion church was “Ye Must Be Born Again.”

Words fail us when we try to tell of our love for him. He was our pastor for 18 years and lived among us in a way that he seemed as near and dear to us as one of our immediate family. He won the love and friendship of all the community regardless of denomination for he was a gospel preacher and a godly man. His remains were buried in Mt. Zion cemetery at his request. Funeral services were held by two of his friends, Rev. Henry West, Corinth, and Rev. Walton E. Lee of Como.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ottie Huffstatler, and daughter, Freddie Ann of Independence; a daughter, Mrs. May Dickerson of Looxahoma, and three sons, Arthur and Rev. Martin Huffstatler of New Albany, and Captain Hugh Huffstatler, serving in Africa.

Brother Huffstatler was serving four churches at the time of his death. They were Mt. Zion, Wyatt, Looxahoma and Hickory Grove.

Our sympathy and love go out to his loved ones.—The Mt. Zion W. M. U., Independence, Miss.

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The Demand for admission for the 1945-1946 session by young women is so great that more than one hundred choice girls must be turned away due to lack of dormitory space.

A gift of such a dormitory could be a memorial to an individual or a family. Within the building rooms, halls, and wings could be memorials to individuals.

Consider this possibility when making income tax returns this fall.

Lawrence T. Lowrey, President  
Blue Mountain College



## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary      W. R. ROBERTS, Associate  
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

### July Standards

We are glad to present these standards for July: Black Jack (Yazoo county), Dr. A. A. Kitchens, pastor; A. N. Nichols, superintendent; Beginner department, West Point, Mrs. J. S. Thornton, superintendent; Primary department, Bruce, Mrs. A. J. Liles, superintendent; Rainbow Girls, Intermediate class, Forest, Mrs. W. L. Holcomb, teacher.

We are indeed grateful to all those leaders of schools, departments and classes who have done so nobly this year in leading us to such a splendid record in standard units. We are second only to Texas in the total number of standard units. We are proud of this record that our people have made for Mississippi.

Then, too, this Sunday school year is rapidly coming to a close, and what other standards we get this year must come in soon. Only the remainder of August and then September and the year will be gone. Who will be one of several yet to send us applications for standard recognition for this year? If you get us the application in time for us to get it to the Nashville office before September closes, it will be counted on this Sunday school year.

### We Repeat

We are repeating what we said only a week or two ago. We do it because the time is so near for the churches to fill out their letters to the associations which will soon be meeting.

Here's the point: In giving your Sunday school enrollment, be sure to give the total enrollment of ALL departments of your school. Do not leave out the enrollment of the Cradle Roll, Nursery and Extension departments. They are as much a part of your school as any other departments, so give your school the benefit of its total enrollment by giving the sum of the enrollment in each department of the school. Many schools have omitted this part of their enrollment, but we do not want you to do this. So, then, give it all when giving this information in your association report.

### Free—Three—Important

Three free important leaflets recently produced by the Sunday School Board in the interest of the adult work are: "Adult Night," "Grading Adults in the Sunday School," and "Annual Promotion of Adults in the Sunday School."

Since Promotion Day is just around the corner—the last Sunday in September—and since our schools need to make ample plans for that great day, these leaflets will be most helpful to our adult departments in the matter of getting a good ready for the new Sunday school year. Adults should be graded and promoted the same as all the others. They are a part of the school. Of course, this idea is new to many, but if we will begin now and talk this and get our people to thinking about it we will in the course of time get the adults grading conscious.

Then, after Promotion Day, why not have an Adult Night to be used as a means to further promote the idea of grading and annual promotion?

The above three leaflets may be secured on request.

### Intermediate Emphasis Week

The week of September 9-16 is Intermediate Emphasis Week, and is to be observed in the interest of the thousands of our Intermediate boys and girls all over this Southland. A special program has been prepared by that department in Nashville and it will also be given a prominent place in the Sunday School Builder. Get a program and plan now to have that week observed in your school in the interest of the spiritual development of our boys and girls of that age group in our schools.

"Never before has there been such a challenging need," says Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, "for aggressive, inspirational leadership among the boys and girls of this country."

Beginning with Sunday, September 9, and continuing through Sunday, September 16, there are special emphases for each and every day of that week. Do not lose out on this great opportunity to do something extra and of great worth for your Intermediate boys and girls.

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### MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

August 20—Rev. G. O. Parker, Simpson County Convention Board Member.

August 21—E. M. Ball, Greene County Sunday School Superintendent; Miss Clarice Killough, Baptist Record Mailing Department.

August 22—Dr. W. E. Greene, Committee on Social Service.

August 23—Rev. W. E. Lee, Panola County Board Member.

August 24—J. T. Skelton, Holmes County Sunday School Superintendent.

August 25—Rev. R. H. Campbell, Jackson County Association Sunday School Superintendent; James Fairchild, State R. A. Secretary.

August 26—W. D. Lowrey, Lauderdale County Association Sunday School Superintendent.

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"Be Ye Also Ready" is a book of sermons by Dr. Robert G. Lee, pastor, Bellevue church, Memphis, Tenn. This latest book by Dr. Lee will thrill you with the vigor of the gospel as preached by the "William Jennings Bryan of this day." The publishers predict that "Be Ye Also Ready" will delight the author's old friends and make many new. The following messages are included in this collection: I. The Curse of Conjecture; II. From Death to Life Through Christ; III. Christ Above All in Title Greatness; IV. God—Ally of the Righteous; V. Our Friend, the Enemy; VI. Paying the Price to Follow Christ; VII. Prepare to Meet Thy God. The price is \$1.25. Order from the publisher, the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, or the Baptist Book Store.

In "Challenging Your For Christ" by Mervin E. Rosell, youth evangelist and Bible teacher, the author not only presents a challenge but a goal. Says the author, "These pages seek to prove that Calvary is the crux of Christianity; that the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ is the pivot of its precepts; that the Vibrant Volume is 'given by inspiration of God' encompasses a philosophy adequate at every point." Chapter headings are: Youth' Pentential; Heavens Heartthrob; The Scarlet Scandal; The Book of the Burning Heart; Scarred Hands; Dynamic Living; Man Afire; Satanic Strategy; God's Global "Go"! Heroes March Alone. The price is \$1. Order from the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, or from the Baptist Book Store.

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The following have been recent visitors to The Baptist Record office: Dr. Ben Ingram, Hartsville, South Carolina; A. Jones, Georgetown; Rev. A. L. Mills, Clara; B. O. Cowen, Clara; Rev. J. M. Metts, Winona; Rev. G. L. Taylor, Agricola; Rev. Guy A. Little, Pinola; Rev. and Mrs. Wallace Harrell, Lucy Carleton, Wallace, Jr., and Prentiss Green, Clarke College, Newton; Rev. Archie Davis, Monticello; Rev. Ivan Lowry, Bucatunna; Evon A. Ford, Taylors; Dr. William Potter, Carthage; W. R. Storie, Itta Bena; Dr. P. I. Lipsey, Clinton; Dr. B. B. Hilbun, Laurel; Harry Smallwood, Laurel; Venton L. Alderman, Rt. 2, Brookhaven; Rev. Charles Everett, Fort Worth, Texas.

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**THE CONVENTION BOARD OFFICE HAS A FREE COPY OF THE NEW "STATE MISSION" BOOKLET "OUR FIRST TASK," FOR YOU.**

### FRED LANGLEY STATE SERVICE MEN'S WORKER REPORTS

Mr. Fred Langley, retired business man and veteran of the first World War, has just completed a swing around South Mississippi visiting many of the churches and service centers. He makes the following interesting report:

"The closing days of the month were spent visiting military camps, churches, U. S. O. Centers on the Gulf Coast, also the ship building center of Pascagoula. We rejoice over the fine accomplishments of Mississippi Gulf Coast Baptists. Future Baptist history will no doubt show wonderful gains in this section. Pascagoula has two beautiful Baptist churches on property where none stood three years ago. The First church of Pascagoula has a very beautiful and modern house of worship, paid for, and the work here is under the able leadership of Dr. L. E. Green. The Watts Memorial church, a very attractive brick building in the housing area of the Ingalls shipyards, is serving our Baptist needs there, and Pastor Brantley has a house full at Sunday school and worship hours. At times two worship services have been necessary to take care of the crowds on Sundays. There are at present over 3,000 employees of the Ingalls works and a great many of these are Baptist people. The First Baptist Church is planning to enlarge and remodel in the city of Gulfport. Dr. Brookshire stated in conversation with us that about 118 people had been added here during the present year.

"After four years of experience I feel safe in stating that the First Baptist Church at Biloxi is the one church in the state that has served and is serving at present the largest number of military personnel. Our Baptist denomination can be told that every dollar spent to aid in this part of our denominational work could not pay for the good influence, good will and the souls of those won to Christ here since the opening of Keesler Field, Gulfport Field, and the Navy Training Center nearby. Thousands of soldiers from these two army camps and hundreds of young sailors from the Navy Base have been served by the church through its social and recreational activities. Thousands have found the Sunday school there a place where God's word is taught. Thousands have found in it an inviting place to worship and serve Almighty God. Forty-six soldier lads have accepted Christ as their personal Savior and have been baptized; 96 others have brought letters of church membership and placed these here while at one of the military camps nearby. The latter has happened since November 1942. This does not include sailors from the Navy Training Center in Gulfport who have accepted Christ in chapel services at Gulfport and whom the navy chaplain has brought to Pastor Hodge and said the men asked that the Biloxi church administer the ordinance of baptism. Thirteen young sailors from perhaps as many states were baptized here Sunday evening, July 29. These young men do not become members of the First church in Biloxi. Their home Baptist churches are notified that they have accepted Christ as Savior and have been baptized by the Baptist pastor in Biloxi and make the request that they be granted membership in their home church. Usually these men are baptized just prior to being shipped out to sea by the navy.

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### CHAPLAIN SAYS TRAIN CONVERTS

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the individual approach. A great draw back in our denominational life is the fact that many Baptists do not understand why they are Baptists. Under the influence of a revival meeting or for some other cause they have been swept to the baptismal pool. They have been baptized and turned loose—turned loose into a wilderness of denominational conflicts. What is the inevitable result? They do not know what they believe as far as the denomination is concerned; therefore, to them all faiths are the same, so why be true to any particular one? All roads lead to the same place, so the argument runs. This is a tragedy. It is prevalent in our Baptist people and if we are wise we will face it and overcome it. Overcoming it will not be easy, rather it will be most difficult because it must be done by the individual approach. New members, both adults and children, must be taught before their enthusiasm wanes because of lack of knowledge. This writer is of the opinion that the most effective way to build a church is to train the prospective member before he stirs the baptismal waters. When one presents himself to the church upon profession of faith in Jesus Christ he then becomes a "candidate" for baptism. This is where the most effective teaching begins because he is open for understanding. Teach him about faith, about baptism, about the church, and about his responsibilities to the church—then baptize him. He will then feel that his church affiliation is worth while because he has been instructed concerning it. The average man appreciates this and unconsciously demands it. The church fails him if this is not done. It is hard and it demands initiative, but it must be done if a strong spiritual church is to be built. A man can then "argue" his religion and know the ground upon which he stands.

Dr. Harold L. Fickett, pastor, First Baptist Church, Galveston, Texas, has published a booklet entitled BAPTIST BELIEFS. This is a series of seven studies in distinctive doctrines: Baptists and the Bible; Baptists and the Plan of Salvation; Baptists and the Ordinances; Baptists and the Church; Baptists and Missions and Money; Baptists and the Hereafter; and Baptists and the Security of the Believer. This booklet or one of like nature, if taught seriously to prospective members, would strengthen and revitalize Baptist truth.

May the people called Baptists not fail their Lord through ignorance, but united through knowledge, march forward with the cross of Jesus going on before.

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Pastor F. G. Welborn reports a good meeting at Rocky Creek, George county, in which Rev. J. F. Brantley, pastor of Watts Memorial church, Pascagoula, did the preaching. There were nine additions. The music and work among the young people was led by Charles E. Hood, Jr., of Vienna, La. He gave chalk talks and led in the congregational singing.

Oak Grove church, Clarke county, enrolled 27 in the VBS and maintained an average attendance of 25. Miss June Rogers of DeSoto was superintendent of the Primary department, Mrs. L. B. Simmons the Junior department, and Pastor L. B. Simmons of the Intermediate department. The week's work was climaxed with a picnic for the children.

### TRINITY CHURCH AT FULTON MAKES PROGRESS

Rev. Clarence Palmer, Fulton, Miss.

July was a good month for Trinity church in Fulton. There were nine additions during the revival. The church had a two-weeks Vacation school under the direction of Miss Nan Moore, a summer worker, and a B. T. U. study course which was taught by Miss Louise Hill of the Training Union department. A B. T. U. was organized during the month.

Contributions for the month averaged more than six dollars per member, or more than \$250 for the month.

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Falkner, Tippah county: There were 20 additions during our revival. Pastor Clark Rakestraw did the preaching and O. M. Walker of Memphis directed the music. The church has purchased a parsonage and paid cash for it. They expect to go to full time services in the near future.

Blackwater church, Kemper county: Dr. W. E. Green of Clarke College was the visiting preacher in our revival. We had ten additions to the church. Miss Margaret Key served as pianist. Our pastor is Rev. O. R. Mosley.—Mrs. C. L. Key, reporter.

Carthage: What began as one sermon on I Corinthians 13 on August 5 is continuing into a series of sermons on "Love." Dr. William Potter, pastor, plans to extend the series into the month of September. Some of the subjects from this chapter are as follows: "The Pre-eminence of Love"; "The Immortality of Love"; "The Virtues of Love"; "The Cost of Love"; "The Dimensions of Love"; "The Acrostic of Love" and "A Picture of Love"; "The Love of Christ."

Tom Collins has been elected by Florida Baptists as an associate to Dr. W. W. Williams of the Sunday School Department. He is a graduate of Mississippi State College and of Southwestern Seminary.—Western Recorder.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE August 12, 1945

	SS	BTU
Friendship, Pike county	68	103
Brookhaven, First	419	82
Wellman, Lincoln county	66	41
Centerville	136	47
Corinth, Pearl River county	39	60
Ellison Ridge, Winston county	148	325
Harrisburg, Tupelo	197	64
Enon, Panola county	70	82
Crowder	137	118
Cross Roads, Webster	100	
West Point	307	95
Rocky Creek, George county	76	77
Wallerville	82	54
Houlka, Chickasaw county	74	37
Bruce	170	48
Crystal Springs	401	124
Beaumont	110	65
Summit	131	114
Liberty	161	
Carmel, Lawrence county	125	
New Albany, First	455	190
Agricola	100	50
Jackson, Calvary	862	211
Vicksburg, First	447	137
Jackson, Griffith Memorial	478	290
Jackson, Daniel	141	65
Jackson, Parkway	419	148
Jackson, First	815	232
Leakesville	134	44
August 5, 1945		
Friendship, Pike county	124	144
Westside, Natchez	145	58
Centerville	121	56
Magee's Creek, Walthall county	93	98
Ellison Ridge, Winston county	140	213
Leakesville	131	57

### THEY DO ERR—NOT KNOWING THE SCRIPTURES

J. W. Lee

The daily papers give us the master plan for the international organization to preserve a just and permanent peace between all peace loving nations. It is the result of seven weeks toil, of representatives of the United States, Britain, China and Russia. It is the product of the mind of men and not of God. The one great ruler who sitteth in the heavens was left out. May we not expect then that "He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh." If there were any seeking divine wisdom it has been left out of the record.

Jesus said: "No man cometh unto the Father but by me" (John 14:6). If the framers of the master plan ignored the Son in their prayer, God could not have heard it. The scripture says, "He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father" (John 5:23).

### God's Plan For Peace

God has a plan for peace. His plan is revealed in His Book. He is going to have peace according to His plan or no peace at all. God's plan is through His Son—the Prince of Peace.

God sent His Son nearly two thousand years ago declaring "Peace on earth and good will toward men." But the world would not have Him or the peace He offered. They rejected Him and crucified Him. Now the world wants peace but it does not want it through Him who once came to bring peace.

This war came about, not as some say, by the rejections of Woodrow Wilson and the League of Nations, but by the rejections of Jesus Christ and His peace terms as set forth in the Sermon on the Mount. The Prince of Peace is now absent. The heavens will hold Him until the time of restitution of all things. Since His going away we have had "wars and rumors of wars" and will continue to have them until He returns; despite the wisest plans of men.

In His absence the nations can have only an armistice just long enough to prepare for another war more terrible than the preceding one.

### When Will God Bring Peace Through His Son?

God will bring peace through His Son when it pleases Him to fulfill the second promise to Mary, the mother of Jesus. The first part of His promise was that she should conceive in her womb and bring forth a son named Jesus and that He should be great and be called the Son of the Highest. This has all been literally (not figuratively) fulfilled.

The second part of God's promise is that "The Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of His Father David and He shall reign over the house of Jacob forever and of His kingdom there shall be no end." These promises or prophecies have not been fulfilled. They are found in Luke 1:32-33: "God will give His Son the throne of David—an earthly, Jewish throne. When God fulfills this promise the nations will have peace."

Jesus must become King of kings and Lord of lords before the nations of this world can have peace. The lovers of peace talk much about Isaiah's prophecy: "And He shall judge among the nations and shall rebuke many people and they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against

### BAPTISTS SHOULD ADVERTISE

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publicity department, adequately financed, and with a full-time personnel, and tell the world what Southern Baptists are doing.

Churches in the larger centers could jointly buy a quarter-page each week in the daily paper for display advertising, and present the Bible interpretation of great Bible truths.

Quarterly, or twice a year, this space could be used for a statistical report. It would interest readers to learn that thousands of persons studied the Bible in Baptist Sunday schools during the past three months; that thousands of persons worshipped in Baptist churches; that hundreds of thousands of dollars were voluntarily given for the moral and spiritual welfare of the community, and for the spread of the gospel around the world. The public would soon realize that Baptists were carrying on a big business.

Ask a dozen persons, walking along Main street in any city in the South, to direct you to the First Baptist Church, and almost certainly a majority of them would not be able to tell you where the church is located.

One-half of our churches are not publicity-minded even to the extent of placing a name plate on the front of the building.

We should break our traditional silence, lift out self-imposed censorship, and tell the world of the bigness of the operations of Southern Baptists at home and around the world.—Lawson H. Cooke, in Southern Baptist Brotherhood Journal.

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Carthage: Members of the W. M. U. assisted by several young ladies from the auxiliaries conducted a VBS at the Hopewell Baptist Church of the Choctaw Association (near Standing Pine, Leake county). Rev. W. W. Simpson of Union, missionary to the Indians from the state board directed the activities. Dr. William Potter, our pastor, preached the closing sermon of the five day meeting and one 19-year-old boy accepted Christ. This is our second VBS for the Indians this summer. Our church is undertaking the guarantee of a Bible for every Indian family of both the Hopewell and Mt. Zion churches.—Reporter.

Revival services will be held at New Providence church, Copiah county, August 19-24 with Pastor Howard Scarborough doing the preaching and Rev. Donald Bennett leading the singing.

Slayden: Dr. H. L. Martin of Senatobia was the preacher during our revival. There were five additions. Although we are still without a pastor we have services almost every Sunday.—Boyd Watkins, reporter.

There were six additions during the revival at Bluff Springs church, Pike county, the week of July 29. W. E. Hardy of Lexie did the preaching and the music was under the direction of E. T. Brewer. Mrs. Ora Allen served as pianist.—C. O. Stegall, pastor.

nation, neither shall they learn war any more." Isaiah 2:4.

These same lovers of peace overlook Joel's prophecy to prepare for war and "beat your plowshares into into swords and your pruning-hooks into spears" Joel 3:9-19. Joel's prophecy applies to the present age when Jesus is absent in person. Isaiah's prophecy applies to the future age when Jesus will be present in person and "judge among the nation."

This is the time to prepare for war and wait and pray for the return of the Prince of Peace. They who think otherwise, "do err not knowing the scriptures."



## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for August 19  
RECOGNIZING GOD'S PRESENCE  
Bible text: Genesis 27-28

### Introduction.

Read the title to this lesson: Recognizing God's Presence. Well, exactly that is the need of the world. We sing, "I Need Thee Every Hour," and that is the truth. Man's need of God is man's only real need. That need supplied, and the supply of all other needs follows as a consequence. Withdraw the light of the sun and every living thing upon the earth would die forthwith. Nothing upon the earth lives without the light of the sun. Many things that might live do not because of a lack of the light of the sun. Preparing to leave home on a mission for the Master, I mulched my fall tomato plants with a thick coating of straw, primarily to hold the moisture for the benefit of my tomato plants and, secondarily to keep the light of the sun away from the earth so noxious growth would not crowd my tomato plants. There is an abundance of sunlight, but it cannot work its life-giving function unless it is given opportunity to shine upon the

God is present everywhere, but He can not work His gracious work if He is kept out of the heart and denied entrance to the soul and restrained by a stubborn will from wielding His gracious power in the life. God is not absent from His world, His arm is not shortened so that it cannot save. He is everywhere, interpenetrative as the ether, but men will not recognize the fact or realize His presence and His power to enrich and enlarge the power of the life. This lesson records the realization of one man that God is present where men do not expect Him, and that He can speak to men under any circumstances He may choose and men will give Him ear.

I. The Place of the Presence. Genesis 28:10, 11.

Jacob was on a journey to a distant land when night overtook him, he having scant resources and being in a strange place. He took for his pillow a stone and laid him down to sleep. It was while he was asleep that God came to him in a dream and showed him what he had not known before, that God was in that place. God came to him in a dream. Of course! God can come to a man in any state, can appear in any form or guise, can speak in sign or symbol or audible speech. He came to Jacob in a dream. I make no doubt God would have come to Jacob long before had Jacob but made the conditions of his living such that God could have come to him. Here at Bethel Jacob was alone, likely feeling his loneliness, realizing his separation from his loved ones at home, and burdened with the utter stillness of the shadow-haunted night. I think it likely that his thought may have turned to the memories of the times he had heard his father speak of the God who had been with his grandfather Abraham, and with his father Isaac as well, and with heart wrapped in this memory, he fell asleep. A lonely place, nay, a quiet place: a desert place, nay, the place of the Presence, because the place

where strife gave room for peace and the vulgar things of the world gave place to the beautiful flowers of the spirit that bloom in the garden of God.

II. The Promise of the Presence. Gen. 28:15.

"I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest." Of course! "I am with thee." And what is the consequence? I tell you again that the one great problem of life is to secure the presence of God. But God is always here! But what is there real in His presence to the man who lives as though there were no God. To the man who leaves no room for God in his plans and purposes? How blessedly different the case of the man who realizes the presence of God and gives Him His rightful place upon the throne of the life?

III. The Protection of the Presence. Gen. 28:15.

"I . . . will keep thee." There you have it! He will keep whoever will welcome His presence. If He be with you, He will keep you. He will shelter from the storms of the world. He will protect from all the foes that beset. He will provide against all the needs that crave satisfaction.

IV. The Preservation of the Presence. Genesis 28:15.

"I will bring thee again into this land." No foe can harm you, no billow of trouble can bowl you over, no mightiest wave woe can drown you, if He is your Preserver.

V. The Companionship of the Presence. Genesis 28:15.

"I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of."

God will do with you what He wills to do. Can you defeat the life purpose of the devoted child of God? Perhaps! If you can wield a fist so strong as to buffet God into defeat. For he who would defeat the child of God, must first defeat God. He who would blight the life of a child of God must first master God. He who would destroy the life of the child of God must first destroy God.

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There were 13 additions during the Pickens revival—10 upon profession of faith and three by letter. Rev. B. Frank Collins of Chattanooga, Tenn., did the preaching and Pastor Thomas G. Ashby led the singing.

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## Brotherhood Department

J. H. Street, Secretary

We present below the concluding portion of the tract "Answers to Your Questions," by Lawson H. Cooke, a part of which was printed last week:

**Q. Should the program of a Brotherhood meeting consist of a study of certain portions of the Bible.**

**A. No.** That would be a dangerous duplication of the work of the Men's Bible class, and in direct competition to the Sunday school. The Bible class and not the Brotherhood is the place for the study of the Bible.

**Q. How can interest in the Brotherhood be sustained?**

**A. Only by frequent meetings, regular assignments of definite work, regular reports of activities and the sympathetic leadership of the pastor.**

**Q. How should reports be made?**

**A. The activities report form published by the Brotherhood of the South at twenty-five cents per hundred should be used regularly in all Brotherhoods.**

**Q. Should a Brotherhood engage in activities outside the church?**

**A. A Brotherhood should not engage in extra-church projects, but should confine its activities to the program of the church.**

**Q. Does the Brotherhood sponsor or promote any so-called "specials"?**

**A. Only when such "specials" are included in the financial program of the individual church, and then only under the direction of the church.**

**Q. Does the Brotherhood conduct study courses?**

**A. The Brotherhood, as such, does not conduct study courses or grant awards, but urges all men to attend the courses sponsored by the Sunday school and Training Union.**

**Q. What is the pastor's place in a Brotherhood?**

**A. He is its leader and should see that**

the men are kept busy all the time.

**Q. Does the Brotherhood of the South publish a book in which the functions of a Brotherhood are fully explained?**

**A. Yes.** It is a thirty-four page booklet called "Organizing and Operating a Brotherhood," and sells for five cents a copy.

**Q. Where should application be made for Brotherhood literature and general information?**

**A. The Baptist Brotherhood of the South, Commerce Title Building, Memphis 3, Tennessee.**

**Q. What are some of the activities in which a Brotherhood can engage?**

**A. Enlisting new titheers. Distributing religious literature. Holding cottage prayer services. Visiting the sick and needy. Speaking with unaffiliated Baptists.**

Winning lost men to Christ.

Inviting men to Bible school, Training Union, prayer meeting and the Sunday worship services of the church.

Establishing mission stations in unchurched sections.

Holding services in institutions: jails, hospitals, homes for the aged, etc.

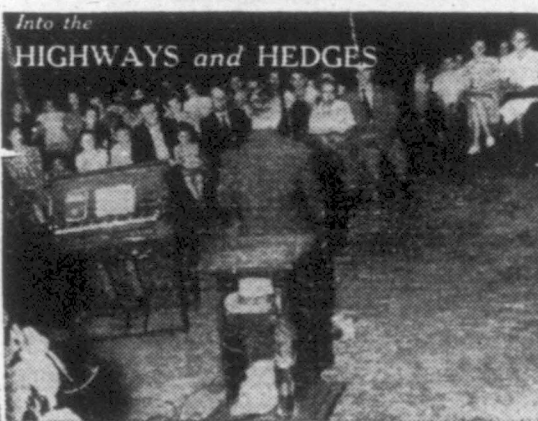
Furnishing masculine leadership for the Royal Ambassadors.

Anything requested by the pastor or the church which has as its purpose the extension of the kingdom through the program of the church.

Enlisting the unenlisted men of the church.

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Pastor C. O. Stegall was assisted in the revival at Bella Chitto church, Pike county, by Rev. James Allgood of Mt. Zion church, Lincoln county, who did the preaching and Rev. J. C. Pinson of Osyka, who conducted the music. There were two additions by profession of faith.



At least one extension revival conducted by every church.

## Has Your Church Conducted An Extension Meeting This Year?

There are communities near every church where helpful extension meetings could be held.

There are such communities near your church.

Many people in these communities will never be reached for Christ unless YOUR church goes after them.

If these lost ones all about us are ever to be won, Christians must go after them.

You can reach them in extension meetings—under tents or brush arbors, in rented halls or school-houses, or out under the canopy of heaven.

An extension meeting will bring blessings to your church and souls into the kingdom!



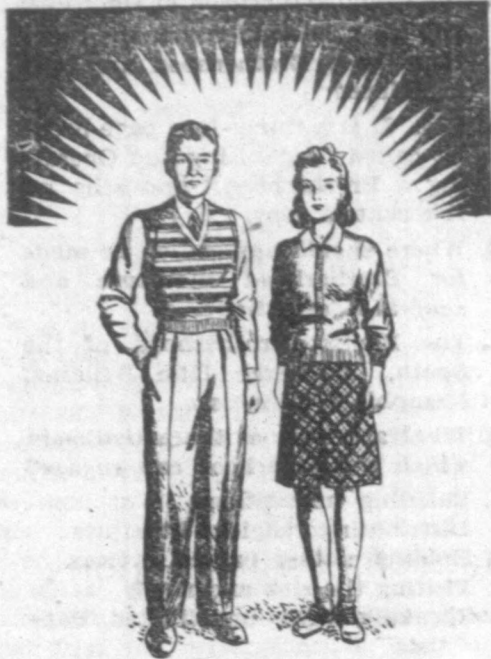
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 Miss Nella Dean Mitchell, Mrs. L. R. Williams



## Intermediate Emphasis Week September 9-16

It's the **Big Day** in the life of the intermediate church member! This week we set aside annually in which we give special attention to this fine group of young people 13-16 years of age. This year the week begins on Sunday, September 9, and closes with Sunday, September 16. Make it a real occasion in your church. . . . The Sunday school and Training Union forces, state and southwide, join hands in this special emphasis. A splendid suggested program has been mailed to all Training Union directors. Did you get one? Would you like to have one? Drop us a card and we will be happy to send one post-haste. Just a month off, you see, and that four weeks will pass in one big hurry, so start NOW making definite plans. What would some of them include? Lots of publicity. A well planned program for the eight days. The arranging of a book display. If the church has a library, books specially helpful for Intermediates can be displayed. If you do not have a church library, ask church members to supply books for this display. Posters. The selection of certain Intermediates for certain parts on the program. These will need to be rehearsed on what they are to do. On Sundays these young people will usher, receive the offerings, supply the music, help with the decorations of the church, flowers, etc. . . . Sunday school and Training Union will use Intermediates for the special feature programs. Through the week something for every day has been suggested in the printed program. Let's do it in your church! Let's help these Intermediates find themselves, they are worth our best endeavor.

## First Jackson Sends Money to Hawaii

The Training Union of the First Baptist Church, Jackson, selects each quarter a missionary object. For the past quarter the union collected an offering for missions in Hawaii. The amount of \$106 was secured and sent to Dr. Maurice J. Anderson, president, Baptist Bible school, Hawaii. The money is to be used to pay the salary of a native worker in one of the prominent residential sections of Honolulu. Congratulations Training Union members of First church Jack-

son, may your interest in missions continue to thus express itself.

The Oxford Intermediates in checking their record for July found they had a grade of 80, four 100% members and 16 out of the 18 members making over 70, the majority making between 30 and 90. Their leader says this is the best SUMMER record they have made, and attributes this to the special activities this summer, including a third study course for the year thus far.

## Rev. S. J. Rhodes Returns to Mississippi

Many friends of Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Rhodes will welcome them back to the state. They have been in Louisiana for several years. Bro. Rhodes has accepted the place as associational pastor for Pearl River Association and is already on the field. He knows and loves Training Union work, as does Mrs. Rhodes. We shall be happy to work with them in their plans as they begin this promotional work in Pearl River.

## Special Broadcast

A special broadcast is being arranged for Sunday morning, September 9 and 16. These broadcasts are in the interest of Intermediate Emphasis Week. Arrange to have an Intermediate "Listening in Party" these two mornings.

## Jeff Davis Has Elimination Contests

On Sunday, July 29, the Jeff Davis Associational Training Union met with the Carson church. An interesting part of the program was the contests in which associational winners were chosen in the Story Hour, Junior, Intermediate, and Young People's groups. Hepzibah took the pretty attendance banner, having the largest number present. It was a good day, as declared by all.

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# One Thing Lacking!

Everything about the Ministers Retirement Plan is most gratifying, except one.

New members continue to join the plan in each state. In each state, the "C and C" reserve fund continues to grow.

The percentage of annuities fully funded increases steadily.

The average age level of the members continues to lower as younger men come into the various state groups.

The average age of those retiring remains above seventy. The actual projection of each state plan shows the plan to be financially stronger than the year before.

The total of dues from members and churches shows a definite upward trend.

In brief, everything about the Ministers Retirement Plan is most gratifying, except one.

**The one thing lacking is full 100% participation.** Several thousand pastors in the nineteen states of the Southern Baptist Convention and the District of Columbia are not as yet participating.

They have never joined.

They pay no dues.

They hold no Certificate of Participation.

They have no share in aiding the unfortunate brother who falls disabled.

They have failed to lead their churches to cooperate in this great denominational task.

They stand on the sidelines watching the procession pass by, and—as a result, they have not that security, facing life's declining years, that participation in this plan has afforded the more than nine thousand present members.

Your State Secretary will furnish information and application blanks upon request.

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## ABOUT PICTURES

We receive a number of attractive pictures along with articles and news items. We like to use as many of them as possible, but a metal cut has to be made from the picture before it can be used in The Baptist Record.

These cuts are made by an engraver and not by the Record. This takes some time and involves some expense, so it will help us get the picture in the paper more promptly if you will indicate when you send a picture that you wish it published and are willing to pay for having the cut made. One-column cuts cost approximately \$1.50; double-column cuts approximately \$2.50; and triple-column cuts approximately \$4.50. Of course there is no charge for publishing the picture in the Record. The only expense is that of having the cut made. After the cut has been used in the Record it is the permanent property of the person or institution who pays for it, and may be used any number of times elsewhere.

On account of limitation of space we may not be able to use all the pictures we receive, but we like to use as many as possible, and it saves time if we have definite information when pictures are first sent to us.

### "WE WERE SO HUNGRY"

(Editor's note: The following story of hunger, experienced not only by missionaries in internment but millions around the world, is so poignant that we believe that it will touch the hearts of our readers.)

Recently we requested our seven missionaries who were liberated this spring from the Philippines to give us brief testimonies which would not violate censorship regulations. Among these messages is the following letter from Mrs. Rufus F. Gray, whose husband was a martyr to the Faith—a letter which is so powerful an appeal for relief to a starving world that we share it with our readers.

"The most outstanding memory of the three years I spent in a Japanese prison camp is that of how terrible it is to be hungry. One day during Jan, 1945, I was near the end of the line for the afternoon meal, and when the corn meal mush gave out just ahead of me, several of us cried because we were so hungry. The next day I waited in line with many others from noon until 4:30 so that I would be sure of receiving some mush, but I never waited that long again, for by the time I received my helping I was too tired to eat it. My relief and joy were indescribable when our American forces liberated us and our suffering days of hunger ended. There are millions of people who are still faced daily with hunger, fear, and want. Constantly I think of them and pray that people everywhere will give generously so that they may receive help.

"MARIAN GRAY."

Contributions for relief may be sent through the office of Secretary D. A. McCall to the Foreign Mission Board. Receipts for June dropped below the amount for relief Southern Baptists should give to help feed the starving millions of the world.

## The Dearmans Leave Purvis

Whereas: It has been our delightful privilege to have among us as devoted members of our church, Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Dearman, for the past year and

Whereas: He has been called to another field in his chosen profession of teaching school and is departing from us

Be it resolved, that we the Purvis Baptist Church extend to them our heartfelt love and gratitude for their untiring efforts in our church life while they were with us. They have both been faithful leaders in every phase of our church work, Mrs. Dearman as teacher of the Homemaker's Sunday school class and president of the W. M. S., and Brother Dearman pinch hitting in every department of our church, acting pastor when we were without a pastor; Sunday school chorister, teacher, when needed, and the president of the Adult Union. Certainly as devoted and loyal Christians as we have known.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be given to Rev. and Mrs. Dearman, a copy placed in the minutes of the church and a copy sent to The Baptist Record.

W. H. SHIRLEY, Pastor,  
L. V. MURRAY,  
Chairman of Committee.

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## Pierce Leads Morgan City Revival

It was my privilege to preach in the meeting at Morgan City. Bro. C. J. Olander has been the pastor of this church for ten years. The people told me that it was impossible for them to tell me how much better the town and community is today than it was when Bro. Olander moved there. The church was almost dead, but now it is the strongest church for miles around.

The attendance was good at the meeting, and the Lord blessed us with 16 additions. Eight of them came for baptism. The resident membership before the meeting was 85. Sunday school attendance often exceeds the resident membership.—A. B. Pierce.

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## Ohio Clergymen Ask Revision Of Funeral Customs

Cleveland, Ohio—(RNS)—Revision of modern funeral customs has been suggested by the Ministers' Association of Lakewood, a local suburb, after several conferences with the city's funeral directors.

The association recommended encouragement of permanent memorials, such as college scholarships or library endowments, instead of "excessive floral displays"; closing of the casket before the religious service, and elimination of final examination after the service.

Also, separation of fraternal order rituals as distinct rites previous to the service; elimination of military funerals when practiced in "civilian life" to avoid "a terrific ordeal for a family to undergo"; and wider use of churches as "an appropriate place for funerals."

Action of the clergyman followed a sermon by the Rev. Robert N. Zearfoss, minister of Lakewood Baptist Church, in which he declared that "traditions that have no remote connection with the Christian faith continue to flourish" in funeral services.

## Home Board Makes Second Gift To Negro Seminary

By E. P. Alldredge  
Chairman of Commission

On August 4, 1945, the Baptist Home Mission Board of Atlanta, Ga., announced a second great gift to the American Baptist Theological Seminary. They agreed to support one of the teachers of the seminary, appropriating \$2,400 the year for this purpose, and they gave us twelve scholarships of \$200 each to take care of all the necessary expenses of twelve college-trained students in the seminary. This double appropriation of \$4,800 annually toward the operating expenses of the seminary is to be continued from year to year, as a regular contribution.

This gift followed the Home Mission Board's gift of \$60,000, made in June, 1945, for the erection of a desperately needed classroom building on the seminary grounds. The WPB has given us authority to proceed with the construction of this new building, and the ground was broken on Thursday, August 9, 1945.

We expect to have this new building ready for use by October 15, 1945. And with this new building we hope to see a new day come to the American Baptist Theological Seminary.

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## SPEIGHTS STARTS SECOND YEAR AT CORINTH

August 5 marked the beginning of Rev. H. B. Speights' second year as pastor of Tate Street Baptist Church, Corinth, Miss. The church has shown remarkable growth during the past year under his leadership.

Rev. Speights and his family have entered wholeheartedly into the work of the church. They came to us Aug. 1, 1944, from Silver Creek, Miss., where Rev. Seipghts had been pastor.

During the past year Tate Street Baptist Church has grown both spiritually and materially. We have had 75 additions to the church during the past year. There has been an increase in offerings of approximately \$4,000 over the previous year.

The membership is looking forward to the time when it can realize its dream of a new church building in which to worship. A special building fund amounting to approximately \$1,500 has been set aside as a start for that purpose. A systematic plan for adding weekly to that fund has been adopted.

Substantial increases in Sunday school attendance as well as worship services are evident. Our Baptist Training Union, under the capable leadership of Mrs. Speights, is growing and producing better trained church workers.

We are thankful for a conscientious God-fearing man such as Rev. Speights. We pray that God will lead us into wider fields of service for Him in the years to come.—Reporter.

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Fellowship church, Lauderdale county: We had 18 additions during our revival. Fifteen came on profession of faith. Pastor R. H. Fitzgerald of Russell did the preaching. At the close of the meeting the members at Fellowship gave him a love offering and a shower of good things to eat.—Mrs. G. V. Richardson, reporter.

W. W. LEATHERWOOD

On January 19, 1945, W. W. Leatherwood, a deacon of Highland Baptist Church, Tishomingo county, who had been a member of the church for more than 50 years, passed from this life into the life beyond. Before his health failed he was one of the active members who helped to carry on the work of the church.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Joe Hughes of Red Boy, Alabama, and the body was laid to rest in the Highland cemetery Jan. 20.

Surviving are: his wife, Mrs. Hautie Leatherwood; six daughters, Mrs. Carra Franks, Golden; Mrs. Ollie Franks, Iuka; Miss Addis Leatherwood, Corinth; Mrs. Ludie May Whiznant, Booneville; Mrs. Lera Kennedy, Dennis; Miss Reba Leatherwood, Dennis; three sons, Garvin of Corinth; Lester and Curtis of Dennis.

To his devoted family we extend sincere sympathy and pray that God may comfort them in their bereavement as He alone can do.

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## Magnolia Pastor Reports Two Revivals

I have recently been privileged to work in revivals at Calvary of Silver Creek and East Fork of Amite county.

Silver Creek is served by Rev. Charles Spain, whose tireless efforts are bearing fruit in every department of the work. An educational annex, begun under a former pastor, is being pushed to completion and the Sunday school is being reorganized under a plan submitted by Secretary Williams and his associate, Mr. Wilburn Roberts, the latter of whom has his residence at Silver Creek. The whole church exhibits friendliness, progress, and a wholesome sense of mission.

East Fork is one of four full time rural churches in Amite county. Rev. C. O. Stegall has been pastor for three years. The building has recently undergone extensive repairs. A cooling system has been installed and plans are under way for a Sunday school annex. East Fork is a community long noted for its sound and influential church and its highly-rated school. With its present forward ing program and capable leadership, it should become an ever-growing kingdom builder in this prosperous farm and dairy section of southwest Mississippi.—B. Frank Smith, Magnolia.

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## Youth Movement Organized On Permanent Basis

Winona Lake, Ind.—(RNS)—"Youth for Christ International" was organized on a permanent basis at a week-long conference here, with Dr. Torrey M. Johnson of Chicago, founder of the movement, as president. Eleven regional vice-presidents were also named for the U. S. and Canada, following adoption of a constitution.

It was stressed that the movement, which has drawn thousands of young people to "Youth for Christ" rallies in 500 cities throughout the nation since it was launched five years ago, will not set itself up as a new church, but will seek to work through existing churches.

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Rev. R. H. Whittington has resigned the pastorate of the Coliseum Place church, New Orleans, to become head of the Bible department of Louisiana College.



### THE BAPTIST STUDENT UNION B. S. U. Secretary, Riley Munday

**Its Purpose**—To conserve Southern Baptist college youth for denominational leadership and the kingdom of God. To minister to the spiritual needs of 140,000 Baptist college men and women in the eighteen Southern states. To extend the influence of the church to every school and make Christianity collegiate.

**Its Plan**—A council of twelve to twenty consecrated Baptist students, elected annually, to co-ordinate the religious activity for Baptists in the school. An adult sponsor, preferably a Baptist student secretary, to serve as "spiritual coach" to the Baptist student body. A Department of Student Work in each state, promoted by the state Mission Board and directed by a state student secretary.

**Its Program**—College students with membership in a Baptist church in the college community, participating in its organized life during college years. Daily spiritual activity in the school. Soul-winning and missionary activity. Daily prayer and Bible study. Wholesome social life. Safe indoctrination. Christian vocational guidance. International Christian outlook. Sustained allegiance to the denomination and its worldwide program.

**Its Progress**—B. S. U. organization and work in Baptist, state, privately-endowed institutions and schools of other denominations, in junior and senior colleges, universities, schools of nursing, business colleges, and other professional schools. A quadrennial all-Southern student conference with twenty-five hundred in attendance. Annual Southwide Student Retreat in June with fifteen hundred in attendance. Publication of more than twenty pieces of free literature, a monthly magazine, and program materials. A personnel of sixty Baptist student secretaries, serving either a single school, the schools of one city, a state, or Southwide territory. A score of Baptist student workers\* employed. Increased spirituality through the Master's Minority Movement. Baptist student centers to serve as headquarters for B. S. U. work on a dozen campuses. A growing consciousness and support of B. S. U. work by the administration of all institutions. The "My Covenant Series" of eight books for the development of spiritual ideals and Christian conduct.

\*Part-time.



## Indian Lad Is Iwo Jima Hero

Pfc. Ira Hamilton Hayes, a Pima Indian from Arizona, was one of the six who raised the U. S. Flag on Mt. Suribachi in the battle of Iwo Jima, according to Rev. C. F. Frazier, Home Board missionary.

While Pvt. Hayes was at home recently, more than fifteen hundred Indians from all the villages of the Pima reservation assembled for special services of thanksgiving to God for sparing the hero's life, the missionary reports.

### FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS TO FOUNDATION GENERAL FUND

Last week the Mississippi Baptist Foundation received a check for \$500 from a retired business man. He stated in his letter that this amount was to go to the Foundation general fund. Income from this and all other funds received this way will be divided among all of the institutions and agencies in Mississippi on a percentage basis. This percentage will be decided by the Mississippi Baptist Convention at its next session.

We have in this general fund approximately \$4,500. It is hoped that our people and churches will build up a large general fund so that every cause fostered by Baptists in Mississippi will receive its share of the income. Anyone desiring further information may write Mississippi Baptist Foundation, Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi.

## NEGRO SEMINARY GRADUATES FIFTY-SEVEN

Mississippi Union Theological Seminary (Negro) located at Prentiss, recently closed a very successful year. Dr. Herbert L. Lang is president. This work is made possible by the financial help and cooperation of the Home Mission Board, the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board and the South Mississippi Colored State Convention. The commencement address was delivered by Rev. C. Z. Holland, Canton. Other speakers were: Dr. W. L. Sewell, Prentiss; A. B. Menelik, Dr. H. T. Brookshire, Gulfport; Rev. M. Glenn Smith, New Orleans, and Dr. G. Norman Price, Indianola.

Diplomas and certificates were presented by Dr. J. D. Ray, minister, Starkville Baptist Church. Graduating class, Bachelor of Theology: Martin L. Gray, Jeania James Overstreet, Frederick Douglas Booth, George C. Wells, Albert Luther Hill; Doctor of Divinity: Ralph Waldo Woullard; Eng-

lish Theology: P. C. Harrison, George W. Holden, Herery B. Moore, James Lee Pittman, Lewis Samuel Jones, N. A. Brantley, L. R. Chandler, Daniel Ross, Ned Taylor, Garrow Holden, John Holden, E. McEwen, John Vance, Doctor Weary, Leroy McEwen; Busy Pastor Course: Wm. H. Tobias, Daniel Ross, Alfred Holmes, Eza Fortenferry, Juett Brown, E. D. Buckley, M. H. Herron, Arthur Keys, P. T. Thadison, W. B. Price, L. R. Chandler, N. A. Brantley, W. L. Kirkland, Leon C. Collins, D. L. Short, S. M. Kimbrough, C. M. Watts, W. L. Lumzy, N. G. Herring, W. M. Porter, J. E. Birt, J. M. Coleman, W. M. Mathews, J. M. White, R. C. Allen, F. Barnes, W. A. Pritchard; Christian Training: Mabel Amiker, E. B. Jones, Ossia Weary, Jessie Thomas, Arvella Barnes, Susie Herring, Martha Bennett, Mrs. Vester Bourne, Mrs. Lillie Ross.

## CALVARY CLERGY SCHOOL TO OPEN SEPTEMBER 15TH

The Calvary Clergy School, offering a year's (10 months) supervised internship of pastoral training for men just out of seminaries will open on September 15 at Calvary House, 61 Gramercy Park North, New York, according to an announcement from the Rev. Samuel M. Shoemaker, rector of Calvary Protestant Episcopal Church, 21st street and Fourth avenue, New York.

While the internship is designed primarily for young men just out of seminary training, the clergy school will welcome some men of experience, such as returning chaplains, who may wish to attend for a "refresher" course. The school is open to clergy of all denominations and applications may be made by writing to the Calvary Clergy School, 61 Gramercy Park, New York 10, N. Y.

### Overworked, Says Chaplain

A few days ago I received The Baptist Record which was the first time I had seen the Record since early March. I was never so glad to get anything as much except a letter from my wife after going two months without hearing from her because of mail being held up.

The news was read with much delight; however, there was a note of sadness in my heart as I read of the shortage of chaplains. May I add a word to that appeal for more chaplains?

I arrived overseas March 31, 1945. April 19 I received orders assigning me to my present unit. At the time I joined this regiment, there were two chaplains for 3400 men. A few days later another joined us which gave us a full quota of chaplains. Within a period of two weeks following that time one of the chaplains was transferred to another unit and our regimental chaplain was sent to the hospital as a result of being physically worn out after 12 months of combat service.

For about five weeks I have been the only chaplain to minister to some 3400 men. I am trying to carry on the duties of regimental chaplain, who must plan and direct the spiritual activities of this regiment. In addition to that I am the only one to carry such plans out. I am preaching five times each Sunday, plus all the other numerous duties that three chaplains would ordinarily do. Of course it is impossible for me to do so much work like it should be done. My work for these five weeks has been harder than any I've ever tried to do. Not because the work is so hard but because I have so much more work to do than I possibly can do.

It is perfectly natural that overwork and lack of sufficient rest will soon break a man's health. Only a few months ago my health was as good as any man's in the army, but now I cannot say the same.

Please, Bro. Goodrich, urge the young men to consider the chaplain's work. It offers untold opportunities and we need more chaplains.

In a very short time now I expect to be transferred to the CBI. Will you and the good people back there join in prayer that our ministry may be a blessing to those with whom we work and that we may be given physical, mental, and spiritual strength to meet the demands of a very trying time.—Nelson F. Davis, Jr., Chaplain (1st Lt.) USA, 423rd Infantry Regiment.

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## Bruce Pastor Resigns

Pastor L. F. Haire, who resigned recently to accept the position of associational missionary in Deer Creek



Association, served the Bruce church for four years and ten months. During that time a church was planned, built and paid for at a cost of \$26,000. There is now in the building fund \$2,500 to be used in the building of a new home for the pastor.

Revival meetings have been held semi-annually with good results. The Sunday school has grown from six classes to seven departments. The departments have from one to eight classes each. The Training Union has grown from one union to four. Vacation Bible schools have been held each summer with a record attendance of 221 this year.

The budget has trebled during the almost five years' ministry of the Rev. Haire and the salary of the pastor has been doubled. The number of tithers has greatly increased.

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**CHANGES IN THE CHURCHES**  
Jimmy Robinson, Blue Jacket, Okla.  
Frank Elkins, Salina, Okla.  
Tom S. Brice, First, Celina, Texas, from Devaly, Okla.  
J. T. Barbee, Jefferson Heights, San Antonio, Texas, from Clovis, N. Mex.  
Jack Hall, Calvary, Okemah, Okla.  
Joe L. Ingram, Woodlawn, Little Rock, Ark.

L. C. Thedford, First, Corning, Ark., from First, Marion.  
Walter Watts, First, Gould, Ark.  
Jesse G. Knight, Bratt, Fla.  
J. P. Owens, Magazine, Ark., from Mansfield.  
Siebert Haley, Union church, El Dorado, Ark.  
C. D. Fant, Second, Dhall, Texas, from Grange Hall, Marshall, Texas.  
Chester Sylvester, Evant, Texas, from Brownwood.  
Morris B. James, Alvard, Texas, from Granbury.  
Ralph Douglas, First Dumas, Ark.  
Norman Drake, Second, Fayetteville, Ark.

John Whitlow, Portland, Ark.  
John Staples, Harmony, Ark.  
Ed Jackson, Lowell, Ark.  
S. P. Smith, Louisiana rural evangelist from Elizabeth, La.  
R. J. Cooper, Gleason, Tenn.  
Clyde McCord, Pleasant Grove, Greenfield, Tenn.  
W. D. Freeman, Northern's Chapel, Gibson county, Tenn.  
Willie Wright, Sunbright, Tenn.  
Wirt L. Davis, Bethel, Accomac county, Va.  
E. B. White, Columbia, S. C.  
E. D. Boyer, Hillsboro Avenue, Tampa, Fla.

S. W. Miller, Humble, Texas, from Carlton.  
T. R. Thomas, Benavides, Texas.  
Bill Baker, Milano, Texas.  
A. L. Byrd, Central, Brady, Texas.  
Finis Williams, Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas.  
Grayson Tennyson, First, Desdimona, Texas.  
W. R. Campbell, Crompton, Calif., from San Angelo, Texas.  
R. M. McGinnis, Blanket, Texas, from Big Lake.  
D. L. Lloyd, Lake Dallas and Little Elm churches, Denton, Texas.

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